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## FINLAND'S GOVERNMENT RESIGNS AS DEATH RAINS ON CITIES

### RED INVASION BY LAND, SEA, AIR

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

**HELSINGFORS, NOV. 30 (UP).—SOVIET-RUSSIA HAS WON, AT LEAST HER DIPLOMATIC WAR, AGAINST FINLAND. THE FINNISH GOVERNMENT RESIGNED TO-DAY IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE ORIGINAL DEMANDS MADE BY THE SOVIETS.**

The Russians insisted upon the resignation of the Finnish Foreign Minister, Mr. Erkkö, and the Commander-in-Chief of the Finnish forces, Field-Marshal K. G. Mannerheim. **RESIGNATION FOLLOWS INVASION**

The Finnish Government's resignation succeeded a territorial invasion by the Soviets in which troops and aircraft participated.

Russia to-day invaded Finland by land, sea and air, and rained death on Helsingfors, Viborg and half a dozen other cities.

#### CITY DAZED BY RAIDS

Red planes roared through the clouded skies throughout the day and rained thermite bombs, (aerial torpedoes which are designed to penetrate buildings and are sometimes incendiary) which dazed Helsingfors, destroyed public buildings and apartment houses and started many fires.

At least three suburban homes in Viborg were set afire.

#### DEATH ROLL OF 200

It is unofficially estimated that the dead will run as high as 200 and many more were wounded. At nightfall the rescuers were searching the wreckage for dead or wounded.

The Finnish reply to the undeclared war was roaring aircraft which brought down one and perhaps two of the raiders in the frontier areas and the declaration that a state of war against Russia exists.

#### PEOPLE CAUGHT UNAWARES

The raid on Helsingfors caught the mid-afternoon crowds on the streets in the middle of the city where the people were apparently stupefied and many of them stood and gaped into the sky instead of seeking shelter. Bombs also fell in the railway station, in the harbour and at the airport.

Hotel lobbies and travel bureaux are thronged with foreigners who are seeking to leave the country.

### FINLAND'S MAGINOT LINE

Wonderful System Of Fortifications

**LONDON, Nov. 30 (Reuter).—Finland's main bulwark of defence against an invasion from the east is a remarkable Maginot Line called the Mannerheim Line, named after the country's famous Field Marshal.**

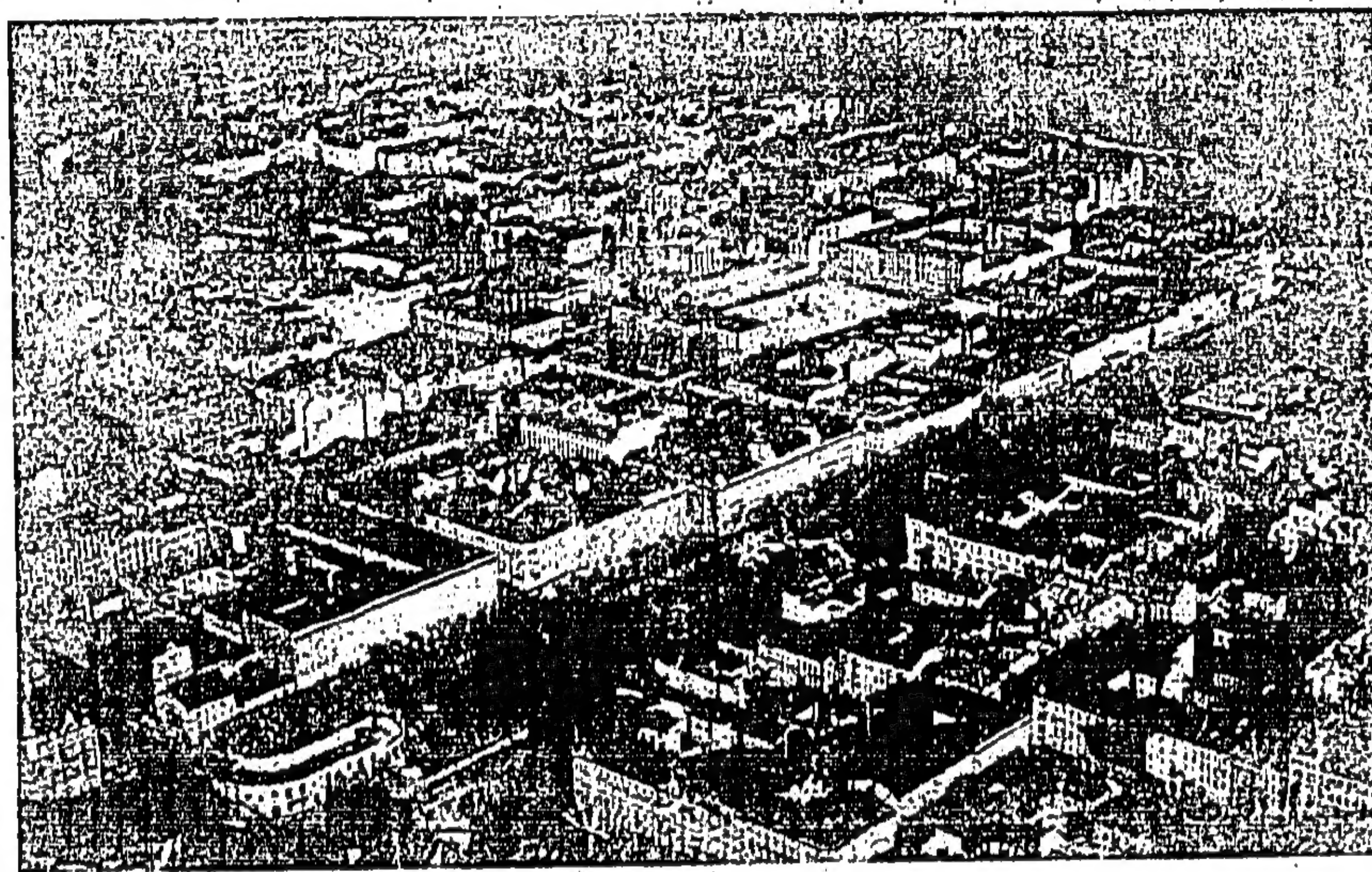
Here nature has helped the Finn engineers to form a line of extraordinary strength. Endless evergreen forests provide protection from the air. Barracks and training places are absolutely invisible.

**Natural Barriers**  
Large stretches of lakes and dangerous morasses save fortifying some areas at all. The landscape is liberally strewn with mines.  
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**Ten Machines In Attack HELSINGFORS, Nov. 30 (Reuter).—The city was bombed this afternoon by ten machines. Many houses were in flames. PLEASE Turn To Page 5.**



Flags indicate ports and islands where Russia has already obtained concessions. The coveted Finnish islands, already reported occupied, are shown on the gulf of Finland.



A BOLSHIEV AIRMAN'S VIEW OF HELSINGFORS

#### WORLD REACTION

### RED AGGRESSION ANGERS AMERICA

**WASHINGTON, Nov. 30 (Reuter).—No event since the war started has so profoundly shocked American opinion as the Soviet invasion of Finland.**

### WON'T BE A WALK-OVER

Sturdy Finns Are Great Fighters

**LONDON, Nov. 30 (Reuter).—The Soviet invading armies will have numerical and material advantages over the Finnish defenders, but in a country of lakes and forests, defended by a force of 600,000 intelligent patriots, it will not be a walk-over for the attackers," says "Reuter's" military correspondent.**

This correspondent points out that many Finnish reservists are battle-scarred veterans.

The Finns are robust and hardy athletes who are world-famous, and the Finns have been military-minded people for as many centuries as the British.

#### Qualities Which U.S. Admire

"It is these qualities of physical fitness, combined with industry and the determination to defend their liberties which have gained the Finns so much prestige in the United States.

"The fact that Finland has paid its War Debt fully was of small importance compared with its manhood and ideals."

The correspondent adds that part of the establishment of Finland's Army is a corps of women similar to Britain's W.A.T.S. (Women's Auxiliary Territorial Service).

They act as cooks and nurses and wear a becoming uniform.

The correspondent concludes by saying: "Russia has proclaimed that the occupation of Finland is not her intention, but how otherwise could she impose her will upon such a virile people?"

#### Neutrality Act And Russia

**WASHINGTON, Nov. 30 (Reuter).—Questioned about the possibility of the United States applying the provisions of the Neutrality Act to Russia and Finland, Mr. Cordell Hull, the Secretary of State, refused to comment, but said that at some later date he might be able to give reasons for not announcing the decision immediately, says the "Dow Jones" agency.**

**Molotov's Rebuke To U.S.**  
**MOSCOW, Nov. 30 (Reuter).—M. Molotov has sharply rebuked American interference in the Soviet-Finnish dispute.**

Observers here do not expect Soviet acceptance of the mediation offer.

#### Rome Indignation

**ROME, Nov. 30 (Reuter).—The tragic development of the Soviet-Finnish tension has aroused a wave of indignation throughout the civilized world," states the "Osservatore Romano," which, after making a strong attack against the Soviet attitude to her northern neighbour, adds:**

"The fate of the whole of Northern Europe is largely bound up with that of Finland."

#### Roosevelt In Conference

**WASHINGTON, Nov. 30 (Reuter).—President Roosevelt returned from Warm Springs and immediately went into conference with Mr. Cordell Hull concerning Finland.**

Almost simultaneously it became known that an official of the Soviet Embassy had advised the Government that he saw no need for an extension of America's good offices for a peaceful solution of the Russo-Finnish dispute.

On the other hand, Finland, through her Minister to Washington, has advised the Government that she

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### Soviets To Master Whole Of Scandinavia?

**LONDON, Nov. 30 (Reuter).—A prophecy that by next spring Russia will be in possession of the whole of Scandinavia is made by Herr von Rintelen, an Intelligence Officer of the German Naval Staff in the last war, speaking in London to-day. He said he was at a loss to understand why the Finns should put up a resistance against something which could not be resisted.**

There are about 500,000 troops concentrated on the northern frontiers to the east of Finland, and by next spring Russia will possess the Scandinavian countries, none of which is tied by alliance to any great Powers.

#### Effects Of First Eleven Weeks Of War

### GERMANY'S FEARFUL ECONOMIC POSITION

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

**BERLIN, Nov. 30 (UP).—Eleven weeks of war have given Germany's economic machinery a severe jolt, but have not thrown it out of gear.**

The major effects of the first weeks of hostilities have been:

1. Roughly 50 per cent. of Germany's foreign trade has been cut off.
2. Industry has been slowed up by the closing of some factories and the restriction in production in many others.
3. Approximately one million men have been thrown out of work through the slow-up of industry.
4. Retail trade has fallen off by more than 50 per cent.

### SPARING NEUTRALS Mr. Butler Explains Embargo Order

**LONDON, Nov. 30 (Reuter).—In the House of Commons to-day, Mr. R. A. Butler, the Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, dealing with the general situation, re-affirmed the Government's intention of sparing neutrals as much as possible in the interpretation of the Order-in-Council.**

Neutrals' representations are receiving the close attention of Viscount Halifax.

"At the same time we have had ample evidence of the desire of neutrals to understand the reasons

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### PREMIER TELLS OF AGGRESSION

**LONDON, Nov. 30 (Reuter).—Mr. Neville Chamberlain to-day made a statement in the House of Commons on the developments in Finland.**

The statement was made at the request of Mr. Clement Attlee, leader of the Opposition.

The Premier recalled that for some time an exchange of views had been proceeding between the Soviet and Finland on questions mainly of a strategic character, which had been raised by the Soviets.

#### Soviet "Apprehension"

The latter had expressed some apprehension at the proximity of the Finnish frontier (some 20 miles distant, and a proposal was made for a re-alignment of the frontier in exchange of territory in compensation further north.

A claim was also made for the acquisition of certain Finnish islands in the Gulf of Finland and a Finnish

port at the entrance of the Gulf in order to assure the position of the Soviet Union in the Gulf.

A further claim was believed to be made for the Finnish side of the Rybachy Peninsula overlooking and dominating Finland's sole Arctic port of Petsamo.

emergent from the outset was to

#### No Provocative Attitude

The attitude of the Finnish Government from the outset was not provocative (cheers), though governed by the determination to do nothing to impair the country's sovereign status.

It was known that the Finnish Note was delivered in Moscow before the rupture of diplomatic relations and that it was most conciliatory in character.

#### Finnish Offer

The Finnish Government proposed to submit the dispute to arbitration and offered meanwhile the withdrawal of their troops from the Finnish frontier. In the Karelian Isthmus with the exception of the ordinary frontier guards and customs forces.

Nevertheless on Tuesday night the Soviets denounced the Soviet-Finnish agreement.

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### LATEST

### DEMANDS ON NORWAY

**SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH" COPENHAGEN, Dec. 1 (UP).—A report received here this morning claims that Soviet Russia has demanded three Norwegian ports in the Baltic.**

The report cannot at present be confirmed.

### BIG BATTLE IMMINENT

**SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH" HELSINGFORS, Dec. 1 (UP).—The Russians have completed the occupation of Fisherman's Peninsula. It is unofficially reported that Red planes have again bombed Viborg and Kotka.**

Heavy fighting is imminent as the Finnish troops move up to meet the advancing Red Army. It is apparent that Finland intends to oppose the Red invasion with all her strength. The small Finnish fleet has steamed out from Helsingfors to meet the Russian Fleet.

### Civilians Leaving

**HELSINGFORS, Dec. 1 (Reuter).—All civilians are being evacuated from Helsingfors.**

During raids, Red bombs struck U.S. Legation. None of inmates injured.

Another 500lb bomb exploded near Soviet Legation; many people in adjacent buildings killed.

All bomb victims thus far are civilians. Red communiqué claims troops have advanced between five and ten miles into Finnish territory in the Karelian Isthmus.

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Hainan and Hainan	Dec. 3.
Japan	Dec. 3.
Shanghai and Amoy	Dec. 3.
Straits	Dec. 3.
Japan	Dec. 4.
Sundakan	Dec. 4.
Calcutta, Straits and Saigon	Dec. 4.
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—London date, 25th Nov.	Dec. 5.
Amoy	Nov. 5.
Australia and Manila	Dec. 5.
Japan	Dec. 5.
Shanghai	Dec. 5.

#### OUTWARD MAILS

Friday, Dec. 1

Hainan	1.00 p.m.
Fort Bayard	1.30 p.m.
Shanghai and parcels only	2.30 p.m.
Tientsin	2.30 p.m.
Manila, Rabaul, Australia and New Zealand via Brisbane—due Brisbane, 10th December.	
G. P. O. and K. P. O.	
Par.	Dec. 1, 5.00 p.m.
Reg.	Dec. 2, 8.45 a.m.
Ord.	Dec. 2, 9.30 a.m.
Saturday, Dec. 2	
Straits	9.30 a.m.
Saloon	10.30 a.m.
Amoy	11 a.m.
Manila	2.30 p.m.
Bangkok	5 p.m.
Shanghai, Honolulu, U.S.A., and South America and Canada via San Francisco (No parcels for Canada)—due San Francisco, 22nd December.	
G.P.O. and K.P.O.	
Parcels	4 p.m.
Reg.	5 p.m.
Ord.	5.30 p.m.
Air Mail for "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—due London 10th Dec.	
G. P. O. and K. P. O.	
Reg.	Dec. 2, 5 p.m.
Ord.	Dec. 2, 5.30 p.m.
Sunday, Dec. 3	
Shanghai	9 a.m.
Straits	9 a.m.
Fort Bayard	1.30 p.m.
Canton	7.00 p.m.
Tuesday, Dec. 5	
Batavia and Surabaya	9.30 a.m.
Fort Bayard and Hainan	1.30 p.m.
Haliphong	2.30 p.m.
Straits, Ceylon, Bombay, Dehra, Lourenco-Marques, East and South Africa	2.30 p.m.
Manila, Straits, Ceylon, India, Egypt and Europe via Brindisi—due Brindisi, 20th December.	
G.P.O. and K.P.O.	
Reg.	Dec. 5, 2.45 p.m.
Ord.	Dec. 5, 3.30 p.m.
Air Mail for "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—due London, 13th Dec.	
K.P.O.	
Reg.	Dec. 5, 5 p.m.
Ord.	Dec. 5, 5.30 p.m.
G.P.O.	
Reg.	Dec. 5, 5 p.m.
Ord.	Dec. 5, 5.30 p.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, East and South Africa, Egypt and Europe via Suez and London—due London, 14th January, 1940.	
G.P.O. and K.P.O.	
Parcels	Dec. 5, 5 p.m.
Reg.	Dec. 5, 5.30 a.m.
Ord.	Dec. 5, 5.30 a.m.
Japan	7.00 p.m.
Wednesday, Dec. 6	
Sundakan	9.30 a.m.
Shanghai	2.30 p.m.
Air Mail for Indo-China, Iran, and France (Paris and Northern Provinces only) by the "Air France Airways Direct Service"—due Paris, 14th December.	
K. P. O.	
Reg.	Dec. 6, 5.00 p.m.
Ord.	Dec. 6, 5.30 p.m.
G. P. O.	
Reg.	Dec. 6, 5.00 p.m.
Ord.	Dec. 6, 7.00 p.m.

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Intending bidders are advised that immediately after the disposal of the lot the Purchaser or not the applicant will be required to deposit with an authorised officer who will be present at the sale, the sum of two hundred dollars, (\$200) in cash. This sum will be refunded on payment of the Purchase price.

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## DRUMMER BOY OBJECTOR

Demond Tester, the 20-year-old drummer boy in "The Drum," applied to a conscientious objectors' tribunal at Southwark recently for total exemption from military service.

Tester, who lives at Little Bookham, Surrey, said he felt that to entertain troops, either abroad or in home hospitals, would be building up their morale and helping them to return to fight.

Tester said he was prepared to do farm work, and the tribunal placed him on the conscientious objectors' list on condition that he found such work.

## FACTORIES' SWIFT TURN TO MUNITION WORK

### SHELLTOWN.

TO-DAY in this humming town, with many distinguished French and neutral as well as British journalists, I was shown over one of the master munition works which is turning out shell cases faster than has ever been done before, says a correspondent.

This one factory alone—I cannot come nearer to it than to say it is neither in the North nor the South—is producing shell cases at the rate of one million a year. Before very long it will probably be working faster even than that.

I was told that Britain could now produce munitions six times faster than at the peak period during the last war.

A short time ago this great factory was producing the implements of peace, but now it is vibrating solely in the manufacture of munitions.

Most of the work done here is the production of anti-aircraft shell cases, and most of the workers have been transferred on a scheme which was worked secretly long before the war from other industries.

All over England shells are being made by textile factories and works which recently were solely engaged in the manufacture of locomotives, mining machinery and motor components.

There is even a small seaside garage which has been turned into a workshop for producing the lighter type of anti-aircraft shells.

### Men Only

In the factory we visited to-day no women are working as the work is too difficult for them.

Many of the men I spoke to are the fathers and relations of those who will soon be firing the shells. They all seemed to be almost savagely intent on their jobs. In one section of the workshop we saw great furnaces where the steel billets, after being cut to the exact length, are heated to a temperature of 1,300 degrees Fahrenheit.

These billets then pass through a bewildering number of processes before they are finally turned out as the finished shell cases. The men are so skilful that the final product is exact to a millionth of an inch.

After the cases are finished here they go to other factories to be filled and fitted with fuse caps.

### Work For Deaf Mutes

One of the most interesting places in the great building was the shot blasting room where one of the main processes—the cleaning and finishing of the inside of the shell cases—is carried out.

Never in my life have I been in such a nerve-shattering din. The noise was incredible, and I wondered how the men could stand it.

I learned that the men working here are deaf mutes who are perfectly happy. But for the fact they can see the wheels whirling they do not even know what an inferno they are living in.

The instructions to these men have naturally to be given in writing, but they are highly intelligent and very proud of the contribution they are making to the national effort.

## Cripps Rejects Offer To Rejoin Labour

SIR STAFFORD CRIPPS, M.P., who was expelled from the Labour Party because of his United Front activities, has refused to rejoin the Party.

He has been told that he will be re-admitted if he signs a document expressing regret and promising not to take part in any campaign against the declared policy of the Party. This undertaking he has refused to sign.

In an outspoken letter he declares that the document he has been asked to subscribe to might be that of some totalitarian Party in a dictatorship State.

"I am not prepared to express regret at the action taken by me," he states, "as I am now more than ever convinced that the action was not only fully justified but was the only action that I could have taken consistently with my duty to my own constituents and the best interests of the workers of this country."

"The declared policy of the Party can only be changed democratically by the agitation of a minority and as it is now proposed to bind members not to engage in any campaign

for such a purpose, all open democratic change becomes impossible, thus enabling the ruling powers of the Party to maintain their position and their policies."

## Nazi Boast Scorned Realistic American Attitude

LONDON, Nov. 30 (Reuters).—The following special commentary was issued to-day:

Mr. William Simms, Foreign Editor of the Scripps-Howard newspapers, emphasising the absurdity of the boast made in Berlin newspapers that Germany is now master of the North Sea and the North Atlantic, pointed out yesterday that it would take the Reich more than 15 years to sweep Allied and neutral shipping from the seas at the present rate of destruction—this figure not taking into account replacements.

### CAN THE B. B. C. SURVIVE

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mythical figure is the inmost school-boy "humour" and does more harm than good.

If things continue like this, the B.B.C. will find itself at the end of the present income. There is nothing abroad to listen to; there is still less at home. Nobody will bother to renew a licence, and the B.B.C. as we know it will quietly pack up.

I give the B.B.C. life for the duration of this war and no longer, unless, once and for all, it gets to understand public taste.

This war is its last chance.

## WHY DUCE DID NOT MARCH

PARIS. Light is shed on the present position of Italy by indications which have been received here of the reasons given to Herr Hitler for Italy's abstention from the Polish campaign during the visit of Count Ciano, Italian Foreign Minister, to Salzburg and Berchtesgaden in the second week of August. The reasons are understood to be:

1. It had always been a tenet of Fascist foreign policy that Poland should be independent.  
2. The desire of the German Government for Italian military co-operation was in flat contradiction to the reserve expressed by Italy when she signed the Italo-German military pact—"the pact of steel"—that she should be allowed two or three years to complete her military preparations.

3. The promise made by Germany last year that in future Italy's claims should have priority was not being observed.

## They Tried The Lucky Dip



A fair helper at the St. John's Cathedral Fair deserts her stall to try her luck at the lucky dip.—Ming Yuen.

## HUMAN REMAINS FOUND IN LEICESTER GARDEN

LEICESTER.—The presence of human remains in a bungalow garden near here, which brought Scotland Yard officers to investigate, has been explained by a local doctor.

He put them there.

The bungalow is in a field on the banks of the River Wreake, near Syston, five miles from here.

Two young men landing from a boating expedition found the remains in a zinc bath.

They informed the police. The yard was informed. Sir Bernard Spilsbury was called in.

The doctor rents the bungalow. He said: "I put the remains there myself. They were a number of anatomical specimens that I have collected from surgical operations."

"They included two amputated legs from separate persons, and they were all interesting cases because of their abnormalities. They were all preserved, and I had had some for five or six years."

"I moved them from here to the

bungalow because of the war scare. I thought that if they were blown up or anything like that, it might cause confusion."

"I put them in the zinc container and took them to the bungalow in my car. I was going to sort them out, but found I had not taken my rubber gloves, so I left them in the garden. I came back to get my gloves, but was too busy to return and complete the job."

"One or two parts were of no further interest and those I was going to bury. The others I intended to re-bury."

"The police, of course, have been to see me and I have explained matters to them."

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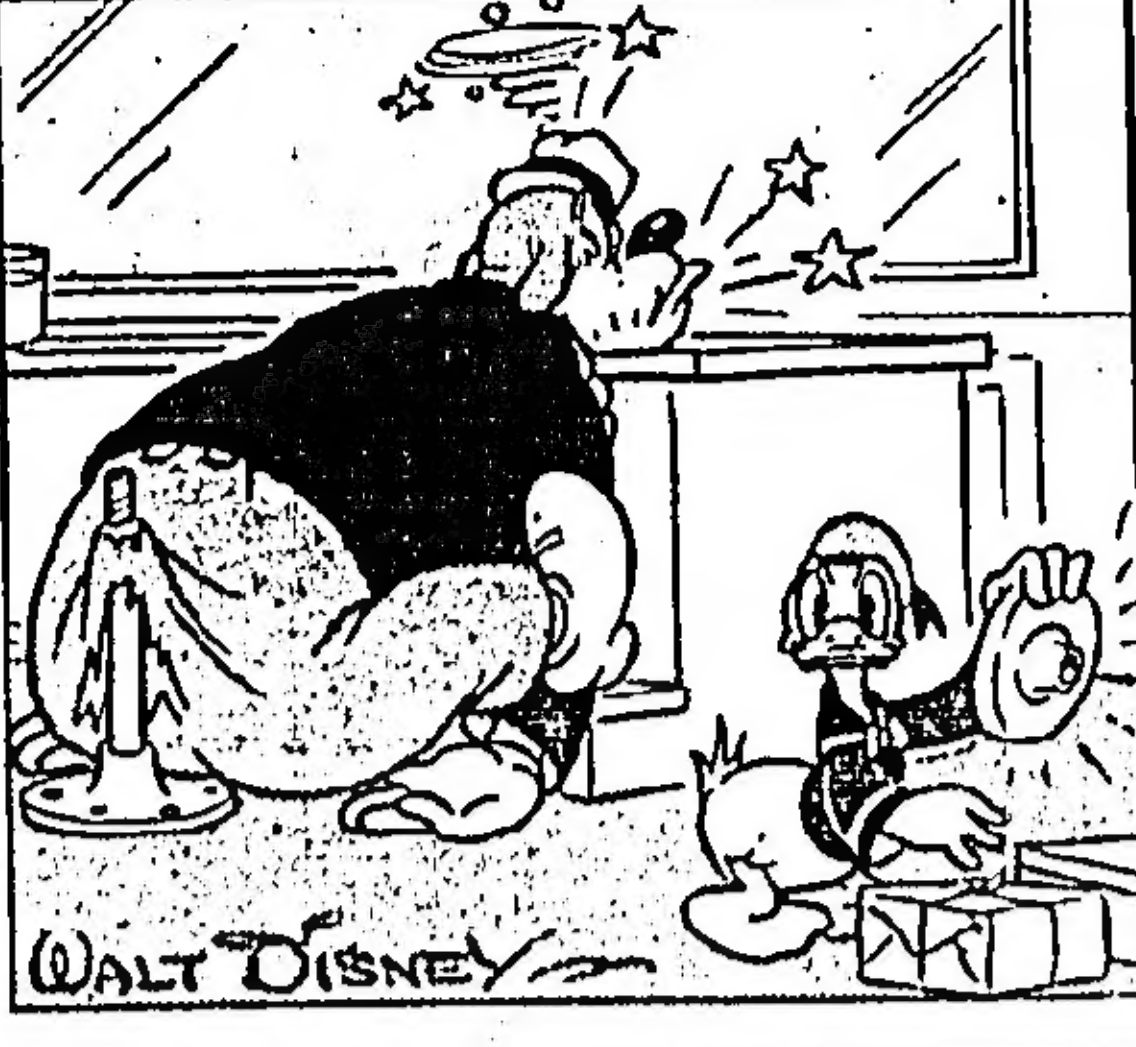
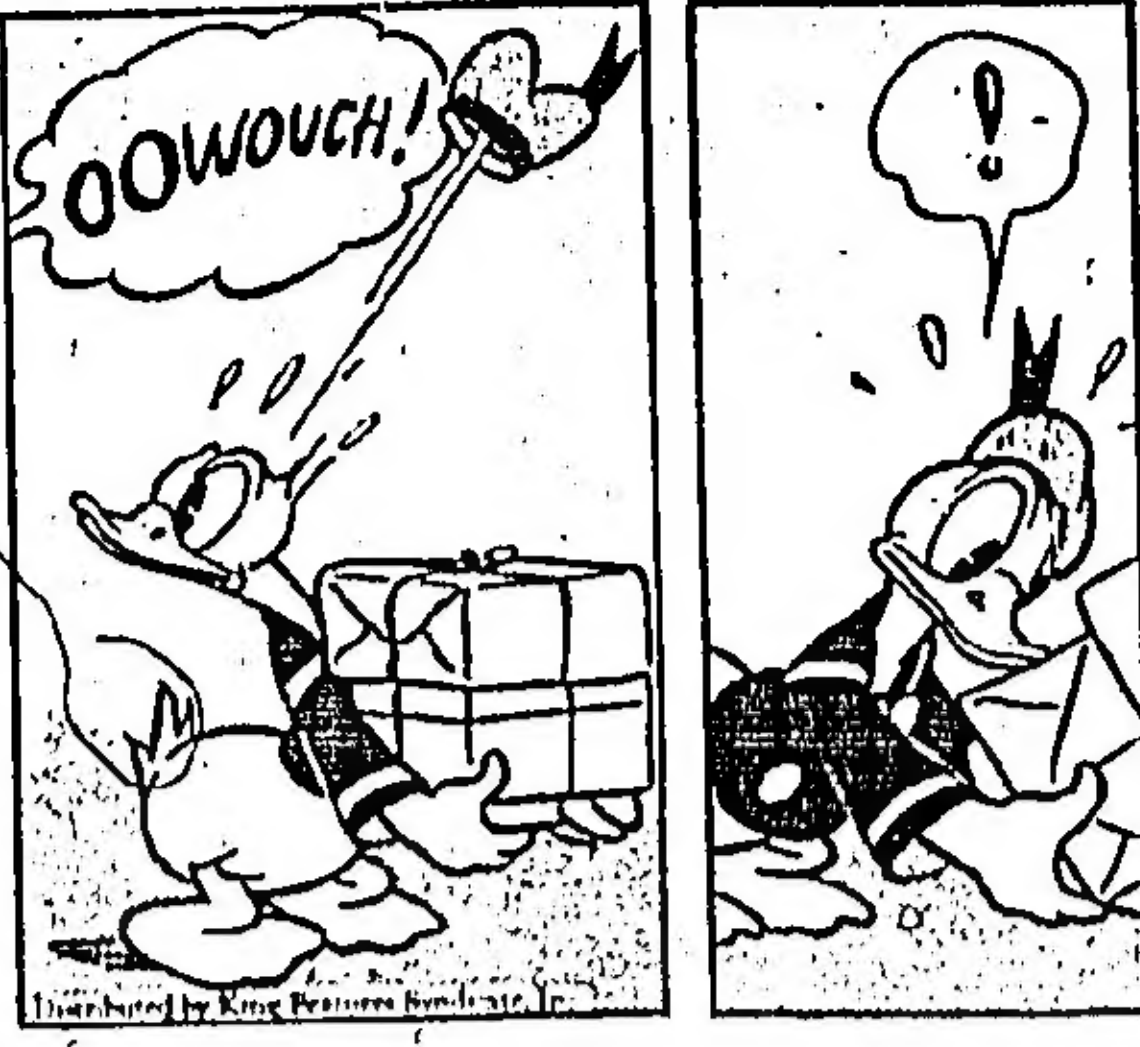
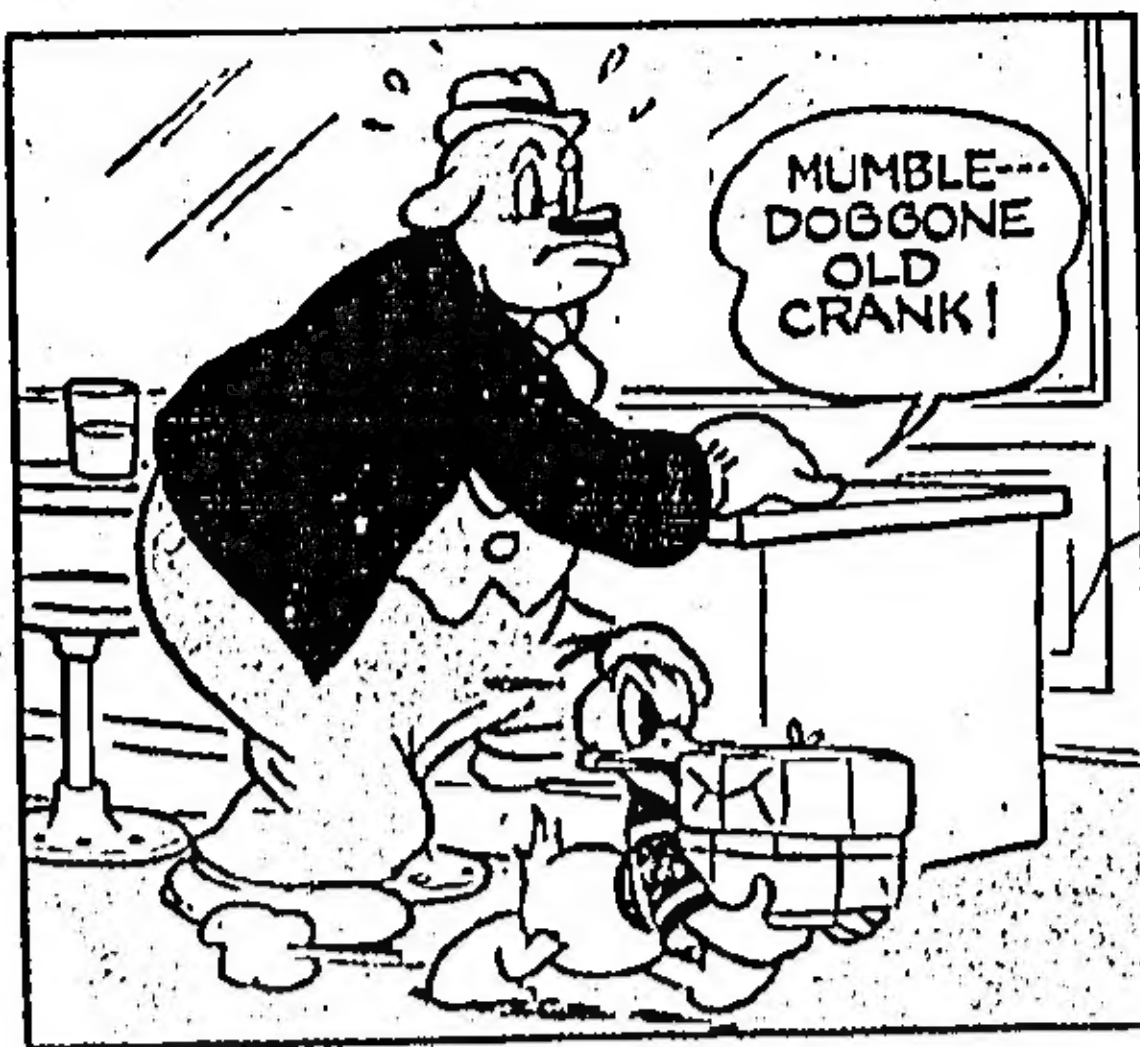
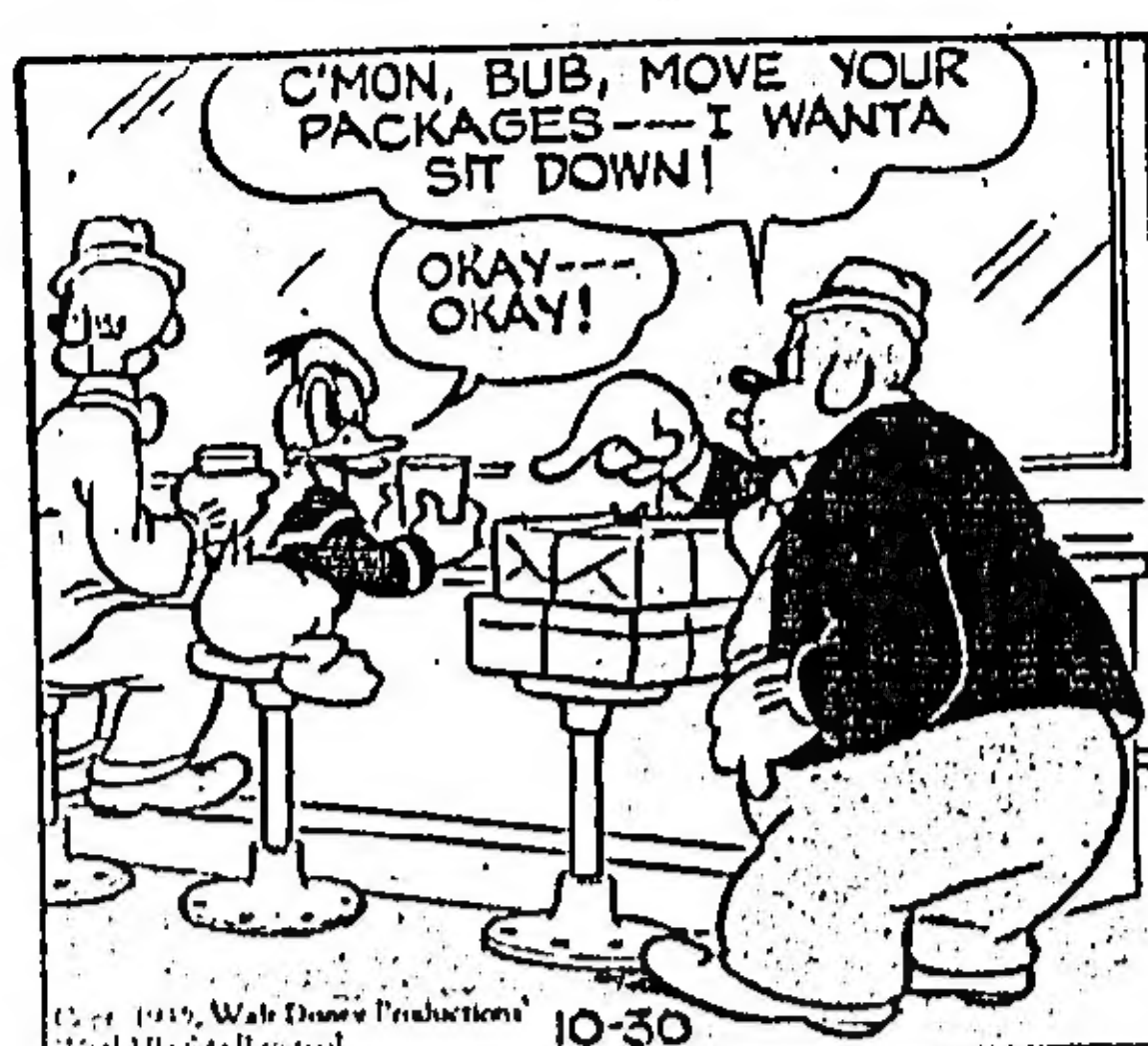
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### SPOTLIGHT ON GERMANY

#### HITLER LINES UP HIS LINE

Herr Hitler requested newspaper correspondents of neutral countries to make a tour of the Western Front, including the Siegfried Line, because, he said, according to the Berlin correspondent of the Amsterdam "Telegraaf," quoted by Reuters, he wanted to save unnecessary bloodshed.

The tour was to have been made so that the newspaper correspondents could "inform the world on the real state of this modern line of fortifications."

A high German officer, who accompanied the correspondents, told the "Telegraaf" correspondent that Hitler had ordered the tour to be made at once.

The Führer, he said, knew how strong the line was because he himself had planned part of the fortifications. Hitler, he added, knew better than anyone else that an attempt to break through the line would result in hopeless bloodshed. Moreover, he was convinced that the strategic result would be negative to the enemy.

According to the German officer, rumours of defects in the Siegfried line were incorrect.

#### Front Line for Nobles

Proof is accumulating that the greatest care is being taken that aristocrats, monarchists, and all possible future enemies of the Nazi regime shall be placed in the front line where the danger is greatest.

Of four deaths on active service recorded in the "Voelkslicher Beobachter," three are those of sons of noble families.

They are Karl Friedrich von Moltzen Freiherr zu Wartenberg and Penzlin, Gustav Freiherr von Wagner-Wehrborn, and Gustav Adolf Graf von der Schulenburg-Altenhausen, a relative of the German Ambassador in Moscow.

#### U-boat "Knights"

The "Illustrierter Beobachter" publishes highly imaginative drawings, with a description of the "Knights" conduct of German U-boat commanders, under the headline, "We Cleanse the Seas of Pirates."

#### Hitler, the Destroyer

A postcard photograph of Hitler, published in Berlin by Heinrich Hoffmann, Hitler's personal photographer and publisher, and issued with Hitler's express approval, contains the following quotation of Hitler's own words:

"The National Socialist movement is therefore not the preserver of the countries of the past, but their liquidator in favour of the Reich of the future."

#### A Washing "Triumph"

The rationing of soap and washing powders, and of coal and other fuel, is so strict that the slightest relaxation of the complicated rules for obtaining a piece of crude washing soap is heralded by the Press as a great improvement in the lot of the German housewife.

The latest "triumph" of this kind is the announcement that 500 grammes—1 1/10lb—of washing powder per month are to be allowed to mothers of children between two and eight years of age. Hitherto no extra soap was allowed for children over two years of age, so that the clothes of children at the "grubbiest age" could be cleaned only at the cost of the parents' own soap ration.

Proftesters are, according to the German Official News Agency, busy in Germany. Some "dealers" are stated to have exploited the restrictions on the sale of soap and have been "severely punished."

#### Doom or Despair

A double page of photographs of defenceless Jews in Poland appears in the "Illustrierter Beobachter." The majority are 70 to 80 years old. They are described as "Hyenas of the battlefield," and the caption states that these tottering old men are "suspected of shooting at German soldiers." Other photographs show them being taken off to execution or a concentration camp.

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## Berlin Gets Too Hot For Nazi Leaders

# HITLER MAY REMOVE CAPITAL TO VIENNA

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BUDAPEST.—Hitler is seriously considering moving his capital to Vienna. Preparations for establishing the German Government there have already been ordered.

Berlin is getting too hot for the Nazi leaders.

R.A.F. pamphlets, dropped on the streets of the city, have proved that it is within easy bombing range if German raids on London demand a reprisal.

Vienna is 350 miles further from English airfields. Its citizens rely on British sentiment to ensure their comparative immunity from bombardment.

#### STRONGHOLD

All Austrians believe that the British would be reluctant to bomb the secret stronghold of Austria's freedom.

Buildings in Vienna which are suitable for use as German Government Offices are being evacuated.

Schoenbrunn Palace, where the Emperors of Austria lived and where Napoleon once stayed, is being prepared as a home for Hitler.

Every precaution is being enforced to keep these preparations secret from the Austrians for the present. Only Germans are employed on the work at Schoenbrunn.

Maj. Gen. A. E. Grissett is known as "Hongkong's smiling G.O.C." Typical photograph at left was taken earlier this week.—Ming Yuen.

#### PATRIOTS INTERNED

Vienna is being hastily "cleaned up" against the Goering's arrival. The haul of Austrian patriots included Herr Barr-Barrenfels, former Vice-Chancellor of Austria.

Barrenfels pays the penalty of his life's work for Austria by being sent to work as a labourer on the Siegfried Line.

A system of denunciation has been started in Vienna to help the German police. This applies for a start to the food problem: any citizen who denounces some one else for hoarding food is given the food as a reward.

The Gestapo are also searching trains. Food parcels to Austria from abroad are opened on the border.

#### BLAMING OTHERS

This food scarcity is being used by the Nazis to stir up feeling among the Austrians, not only against the belligerents but against neighbouring neutral Powers.

Posters have been plastered up in Vienna showing a huge German soldier eating a tiny roll of bread. Next to him stands a small peasant in Hungarian national costume eating a great slice of white bread covered with pieces of ham. "How long must we tolerate this?" runs the slogan underneath.

No one can now walk through Vienna with a backpack or carrying a large parcel without being stopped in the street and searched.

## SON FOR WIDOW OF PIT VICTIM

TWELVE hours after her husband—one of 35 victims—lost his life in an explosion of fire damp at the Valleyfield Colliery, near Dunfermline, 25-year-old Mrs. Jean Ewing gave birth to a son.

The father, Duncan Ewing (27), had remained at home several nights, expecting the event. On the day before the explosion Mrs. Ewing persuaded him to go to work.

Thirty-three men were killed outright. Two others died after rescue, one on the way to hospital and another after admission. This last victim Thomas Kerr, learned shortly before he died that one of his sons was among the killed.

Kerr, although badly injured, had crawled through the fumes to telephone a warning to the surface.

At once Mr. Atchison the colliery manager, and Mr. T. C. Reid, manager of Fife Coal Company the owners, led a rescue party down the pit.

#### No Respirators

The rescuers had to proceed without respirators or protection of any sort against gas, but they were able to recover several bodies.

Official rescue brigades descended wearing respirators shortly afterwards.

Dr. William Reid, son of the general manager, went down with the first rescue party.

He said: "The explosion seemed to have shattered everything in the colliery."

"Canaries which we took down died from gas."

Adam Ferguson, who has worked 27 years in the colliery, said: "After the explosion every one of the 23 men in my section collapsed. It was terrible seeing them lying gasping for breath, unable to help each other."

David Anderson, a pump man, told a reporter: "I was working at one of three pumps, which I have to attend when the explosion occurred. I fought

my way back through gas and wreckage. "On my way I saw men lying near the pump. I was too weak to assist them, but shouted to them to get to the pump, where there was a draught of fresh air."

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1.15 Close Down.

1.30 Reuter and Rugby Press, Weather Forecast and Announcements.

1.45 Variety with Kitty Masters, Frank Crumit, and Others.

2.15 Close Down.

2.30 Compositions of Debussy, Danes, Leopold Stokowski and Philadelphia Orchestra. Etude XI Pour Les Arpeges Composés, Vladimir Horowitz (Piano), Nuit D'Etioles, Helene Ludolph (Soprano), Jardin Sous La Pluie, Benno Moiseiwitsch (Piano), Petite Suite, Symphony Orchestra cond. by Pierre Coppola.

2.38 Closing Local Stock Quotations.

2.40 Musical Comedy Selections from "Hit The Deck," "Bow Bells," "The Blue Mazurka" and "The Desert Song."

2.50 Variety with Turner Layton, Charlie Kams, Ken Harvey and Elsie and Doris Waters.

2.50 London Relay—The News.

3.00 Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

3.03 Next week's programmes.

3.06 Dance Music.

3.15 London Relay—"A.E.F. in Burbleton" by Mr. Gillie Potter.

3.45 Dance Music.

3.05 Studio—Comments on Recent Events.

3.05 London Relay—News Summary.

3.30 A Programme of English Music, Chaconne (Purcell), Society of Ancient Instruments, Nymphs and Shepherds (Purcell), Elsie Suddaby.

### OUR GUIDE TO THE CINEMAS

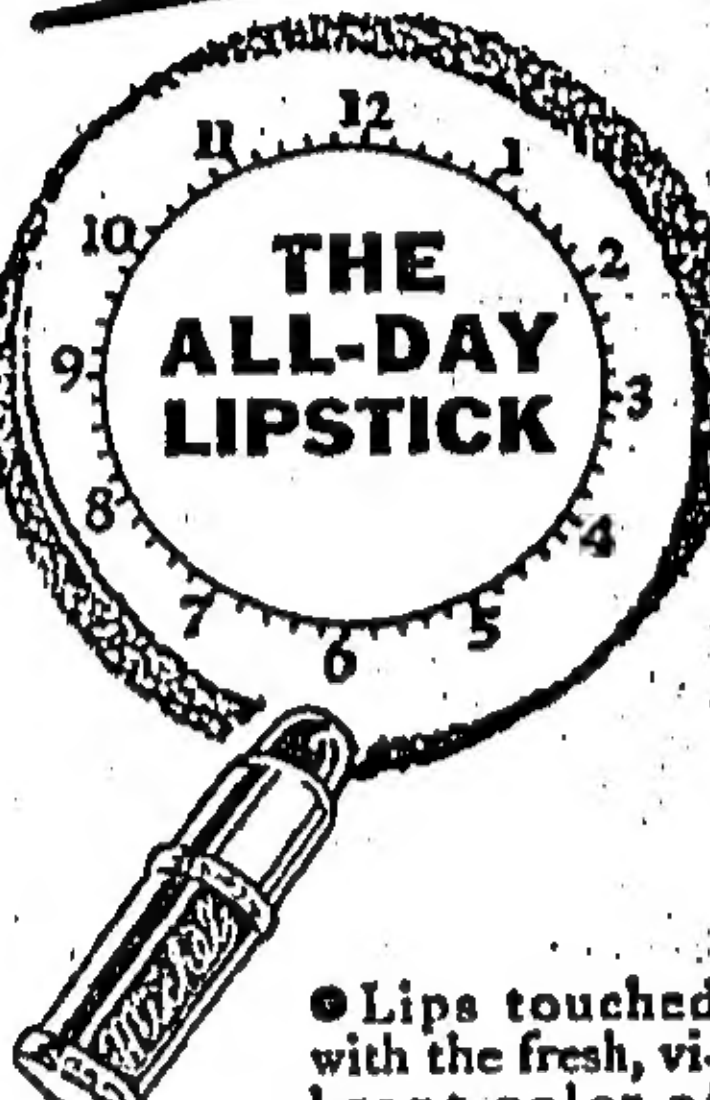
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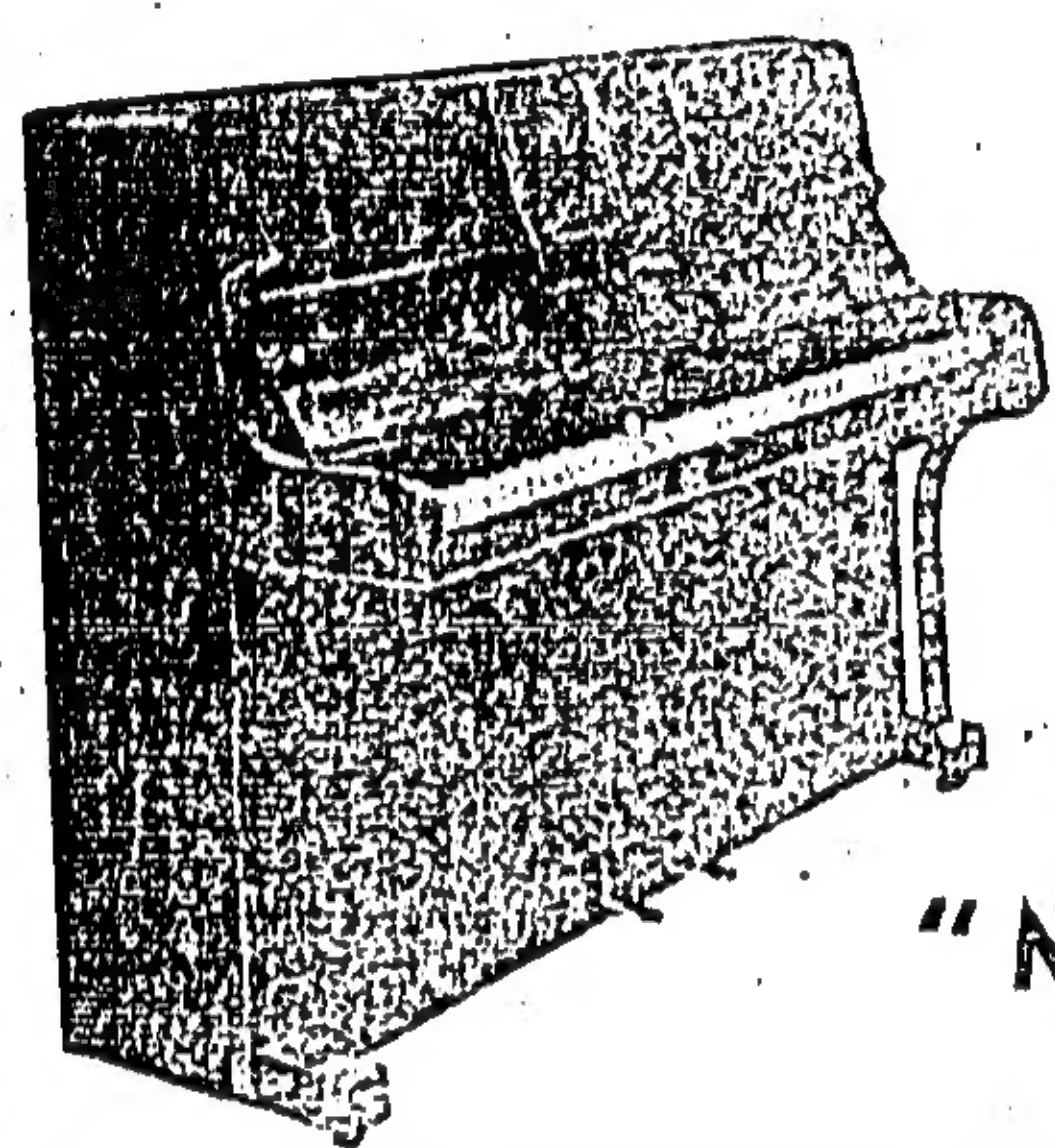
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#### Red Light For Hitler

IT would serve no useful purpose at this stage to inquire how it comes about that Europe now finds itself committed to a second edition of the Great War. Suffice it to say at the moment that those shallow observers who throw the blame on Hitler and Naziism completely overlook the terrible responsibility of those who allowed those baleful phenomena to arise.

In view of the assiduous propaganda already evident in some pseudo-high-brow quarters, however, it should be clearly stated that Hitlerism has not been due to the Versailles Peace Treaty, but, on the contrary, to the amazing failure to enforce its terms. All this talk of overthrowing Hitlerism is beside the point, and curiously paradoxical under the guise of democratic action.

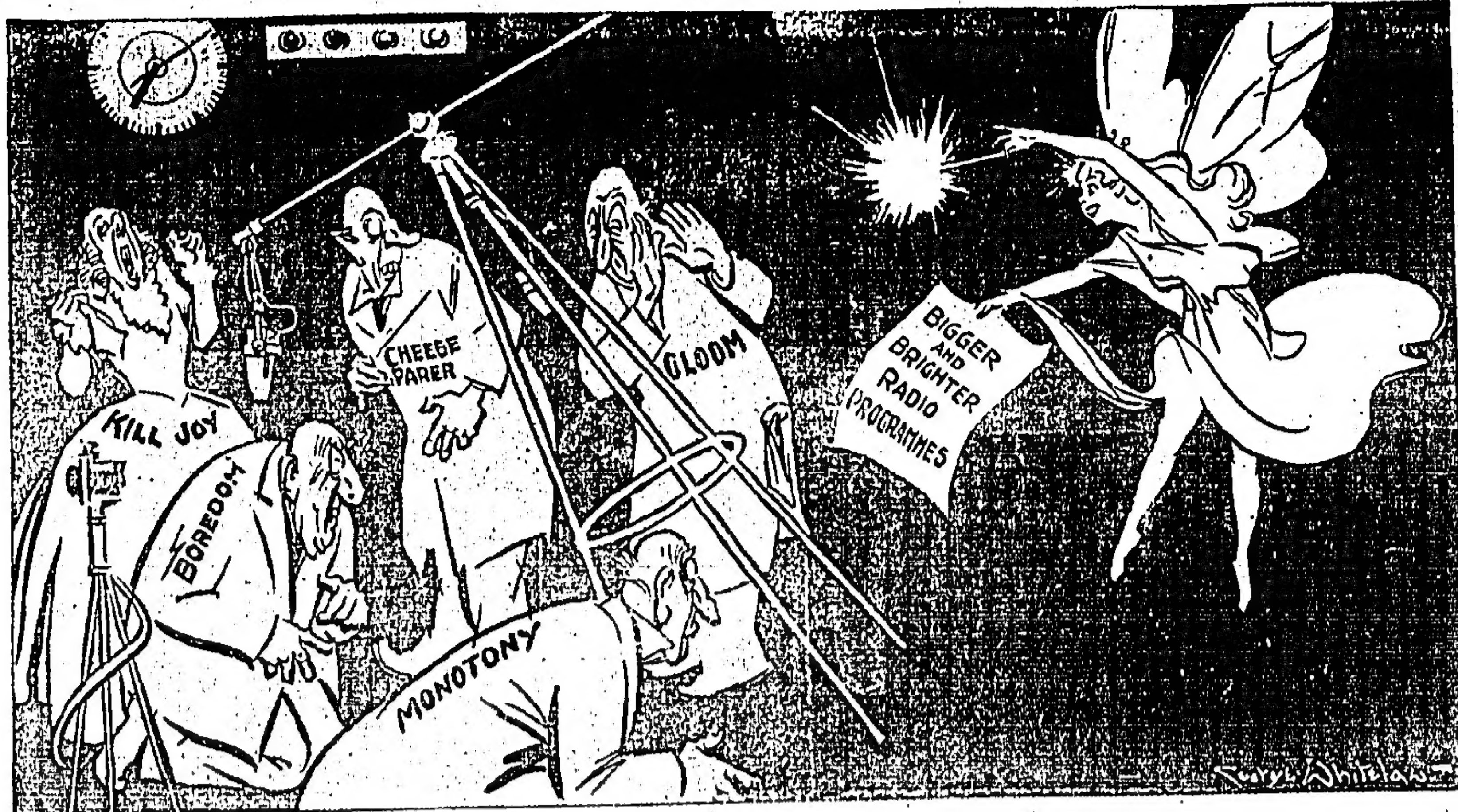
Neither we nor anybody else have any moral or historical right to dictate to the German people, or anybody else, under what form of government they must choose to exist. Our right is strictly limited to ensuring that the one European community that has disturbed the peace of our continent for the past century shall never again be permitted to make itself an international nuisance.

Some of the military pundits have been explaining how we are now encountering an entirely new kind of war. This assertion is based on the fact that in these days war is no longer confined to actual fighting between the armed forces of belligerent nations, but that it brings right into the arena both the economic and political factors.

Actually the only change between modern and past warfare, however, is that up-to-date equipment to a certain extent intensifies the latter factors as ponderable issues.

The economic and the political factors have always, since the bloodshot dawn of human antagonisms, played their part in conflicts between peoples. Siege warfare is as old as stone walls, and siege warfare is mainly economic and political in its impingement. In fact we may truly say that the more the dreary business of warfare changes, the more it remains the same. There is certainly nothing newer than Ancient Greece in an attempt to starve an enemy into subjection, or even in trying to upset his morale by pamphlet propaganda.

But an economic siege can be terribly exhausting to a nation like Germany, and if the slow attrition of economic warfare does not suit Germany's masters, it will be up to them to try to break out of their cage.



B.B.C. BLACK-OUT

## The Russian Riddle Solved

BY  
**W. N. EWER**

EVERY morning brings me letters about Russia. Many are hot with indignation against Stalin. Many are hot with indignation that anyone should doubt either his integrity or his supreme wisdom.

But most, I think, are puzzled. How is it that the peace-loving Soviet Union, with no territorial ambitions, pledged to the struggle against Nazism, pledged to aid all victims of aggression, should suddenly do this thing? It does not seem to make sense. Not the most ingenious arguments of Western Communists can make it make sense.

Clearly there is something wrong somewhere. Fact and theory far nonsensically. The evidence clashes with assumptions.

Since facts are facts, the assumptions must be wrong. We have to abandon the theory that Stalin's policy has been based on opposition to Nazism, aggression and war.

What then has it been? Is there an answer to that which will fit with the facts, which will make sense instead of nonsense and mere melodramatic villainy out of this year's happenings?

I think there is. The answer is this: That Josef Stalin (whatever he was in youth) is to-day an Imperialist. His desire is not for the welfare of the Soviet peoples, but for the power, the aggrandisement, the expansion of the State over which he rules as Autocrat.

Look back and see how the theme of power has for some years run through the speech of the man around him. As the "old Bolsheviks" have passed, the new Bolsheviks has changed its language, its manners, its mode of thought: like Jacobinism turning into Bonapartism.

Stalin's hero—an official hero of the new Bolshevism—is Peter the Great: the Tsar who began Russia's expansion westward, subdued the Ukraine and conquered the Baltic States.

For Stalin, disciple of Peter the Great rather than of Lenin, the recovery of Russia's lost provinces has been an increasing purpose. Little enough was said about it for it was polite not to reveal such ambitions while there was no chance of fulfilling them, and a possibility that the revelation might unite Europe in opposition to them.

Last September came the first. This time they can do the frontal attacking. The Maginot Line will welcome such efforts with a terrible ovation. The Nazi theory of Blitzkrieg condemns them to face that music, or endure the economic and political hazards of a long-drawn war. If they think of trying air frightfulness as a last desperate remedy, well, while their efforts must be divided between two objectives—Paris and London—the Franco-British bombers will be concentrating on Berlin.

Hitlerism already has its back to the wall—and Germany itself may yet supply the firing squads.

unwilling to pay the price: for the meaning of these demands was only too clear. And on these crucial points the negotiations had deadlocked.

That same price—recognition of Russia's "sphere of influence" in the Baltic States, agreement to her occupation of Eastern Poland by the event of war—Germany was ready to pay for Soviet neutrality and Soviet friendship.

The bargain was struck. The negotiation with Britain and France was broken off. The pact with Germany was signed.

I do not think Stalin realised that this meant war. I think he expected a "second Munich," the abandonment of Poland by the Western Powers, and a "peaceful settlement" in which the Soviet Union would quietly take its share—as Hungary had taken its share of Czechoslovakia.

I do not think he expected either war or the swift military collapse of Poland.

At the last moment he had to move very quickly for fear lest his new ally might double-cross him. I suspect that there is a certain anxiety in the Kremlin at the way in which things have developed.

But that is another story. The point I want to put to my puzzled correspondents is this:

If you think of Stalin as a new Peter the Great whose guiding purpose is to restore to Russia the territory she lost after the Revolution, then all his actions make sense. The whole thing becomes understandable.

But if you reject this explanation (and there is much subsidiary evidence for it which would take too long to expound) then you must find another one which will fit the facts and not land you in contradictions and absurdities.

Britain, France and Poland were

## Can The B. B. C. SURVIVE

By SPIKE HUGHES

WHEN questions are asked in Parliament, not about B.B.C. policy, but about B.B.C. programmes, then I ask myself: Can the Corporation survive the war?

So long as the war continues the B.B.C. will continue to exist, of course, as an instrument of national information and propaganda. But when the war ends the B.B.C. will have served its purpose in this capacity, and I am very doubtful whether anybody will have much use for it then.

For years the B.B.C. failed to court the theatre and the film industry. It adopted a high-brow attitude instead of making every effort to co-operate, muttering that radio publicity more than made up for low fees.

If the B.B.C. behaved better towards the other two branches of the entertainment business, the outbreak of war would have found the theatre and the film offering everything they had to broadcasting.

For a week there were no cinemas open. The B.B.C. could have given the people the best Ersatz for the real thing that has yet been invented: the radio version of films.

In its repertoire the B.B.C. Variety Department has "Top Hat," "Alexander's Ragtime Band," "Congress Dances," "Sunshine Up," "Forty Second Street," "Shall We Dance?" and "Gold Diggers of 1935"—enough to broadcast one every other day for a fortnight.

But the man who produces and adapted these shows is sitting at the B.B.C. in London twiddling his thumbs.

As long ago as last April the B.B.C. started to form a shadow repertory company for war-time broadcasting. Hitherto it has been the privilege of the critic to complain of the cliché-ness of the B.B.C., and one was reproved by listeners for writing about purely internal matters.

Now these internal matters have come out into the open. The public has noticed that the repertory company has all the appearance of having been not so much engaged as "invited" to join the happy B.B.C. family party "somewhere in England."

Apart from suggesting that every regular broadcast could have been cross-examined months ago, I suppose that is why many unemployed and not-yet-approved artists are now able to sit at home and hear their records being broadcast while they themselves are barred.

There is every good reason for the part-evacuation of the B.B.C., but that is no reason for closing Broadcasting House, with its deep basement studios and gas-proof doors, to those artists who were unlucky enough not to be invited to join the repertory company.

"If soldiers at the front can run the risk of being bombed," said one artist to me, yesterday, "then why should we ask for special protection?" Meanwhile, I have learned the following about the B.B.C.'s wartime manners:

A concern, which in peace-time puts out sponsored programmes, offered it the use of its recorded transmissions of all-star programmes. This concern has not yet received a reply.

A well-known producer has been sent back to London, his production this week taken over by a junior. The senior producer is now in "category" at liberty to find another job if he can.

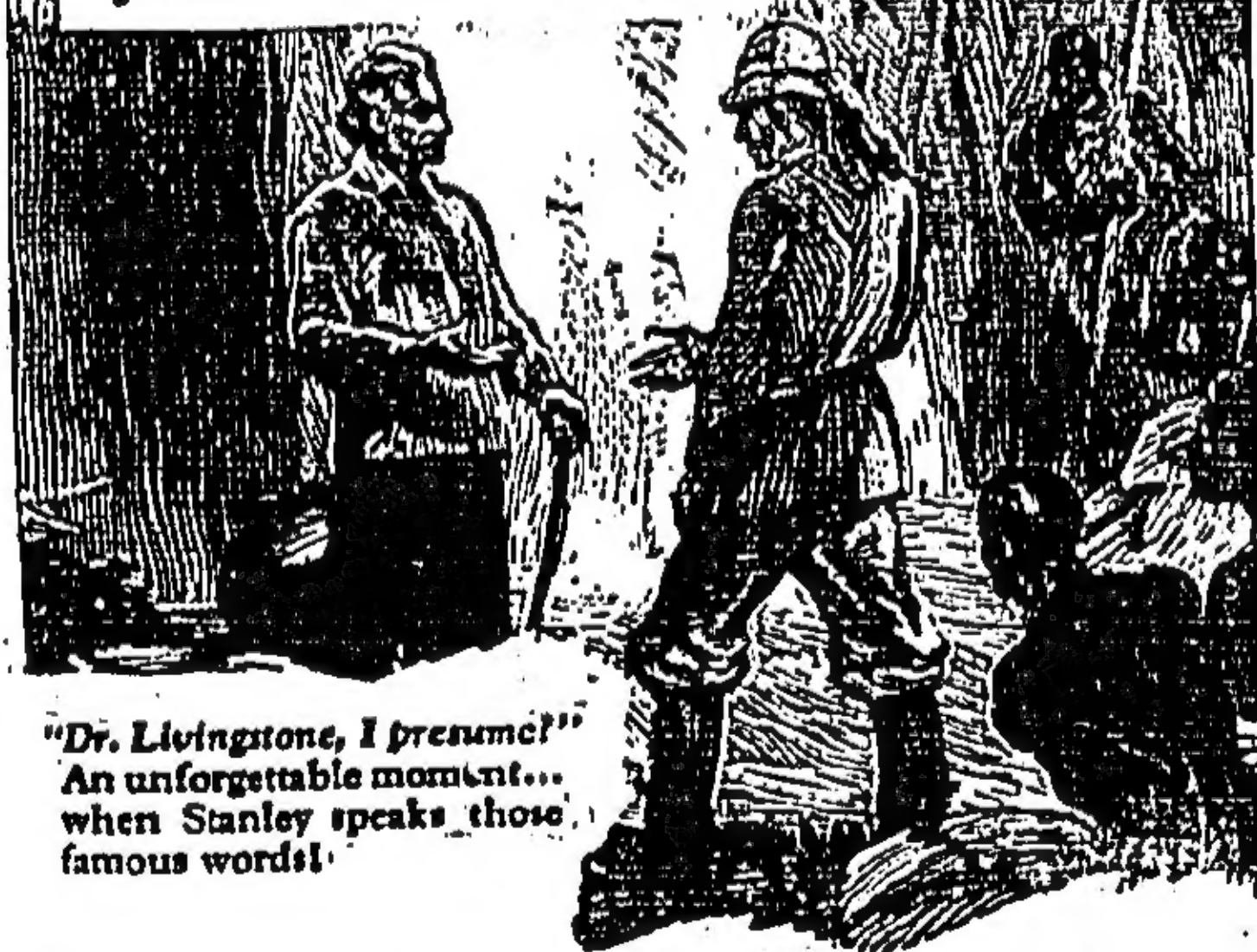
Sandy Macpherson, not long ago one of the most popular of all broadcasters, admits to me that he now receives abusive letters because he has to broadcast so much.

The entertainment side of the Corporation is so out of touch with public feeling that we are given memories of 1914, and jokes about Hitler. This attempt to build up Hitler as a PLEASE Turn To Page 2.

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## FINLAND'S GOVERNMENT RESIGNS AS DEATH RAINS ON CITIES

(Continued from Page 1.)

The bombers came over in groups of two and three.

A bomb fell near the railway station, and windows over a wide area were smashed.

Incendiary bombs were dropped over a wide area. Six houses were set on fire at Frederickska and Kalevagaatan.

The Technical High School was set on fire and an air raid warning was still in progress until the late afternoon.

From the centre of the city, about a score of bombs were counted and a big fire, from which dense clouds of smoke arose, was seen in the northern district of Helsingfors.

**No State of War Declared**  
WASHINGTON, Nov. 30 (Reuter).—The Finnish Minister, M. Protopopov, in a statement, denied that Finland had declared war on Russia.

He said Finland had declared a state of siege.

M. Protopopov later had a conference with Mr. Cordell Hull.

**Mannerheim Is C-in-C.**  
HELSINGFORS, Nov. 30 (Reuter).—Field Marshal Mannerheim, Finland's "Grand Old Man," has been appointed Commander-in-Chief of the Finnish Forces.

**Aping Hitler Again**  
LONDON, Nov. 30 (Reuter).—There is good reason to believe that Moscow delays transmission of the Finnish reply to the Soviet Note so that the Soviet Government would not be embarrassed in its pursuance of its pre-arranged aggression.

It is understood that the Finnish reply suggested an enquiry by a frontier commission, and an offer to negotiate concerning the withdrawal of Finnish troops as demanded by Moscow.

**Sheer Ruthlessness**  
LONDON, Nov. 30 (Reuter).—Since early this morning the Soviet Army, Navy and Air Forces have been attacking Finland with sheer ruthlessness.

They have attacked on land in three main forces, while the air force bombed towns and cities all day long.

The Russian Fleet, which left Kronstadt yesterday, has attacked Hogland and other islands, which formed the subject of the original Soviet demands.

One of the worst air-raids was on Helsingfors, which was bombed from early morning until 2 p.m.

Soviet planes flew over the city, but only dropped bombs on the airport.

At 2 p.m. the "All Clear" was sounded and the people, who had been sitting quietly in the shelters, then came out.

Shops re-opened and the buses and trams started to move again.

**No Attempt At Accuracy**  
The Soviet planes started to bomb the Finnish capital in earnest. They flew high and dropped their deadly missiles without any attempt at accuracy.

A correspondent who was telephoning at the time the raid started reported that he had already counted a dozen bombs from where he was sitting.

Two of them were large ones and broke the windows of houses within a radius of half a mile.

There were also incendiary bombs and several buildings caught fire. It is quite impossible at present to give any estimate of the number of casualties.

The people, however, remained calm and, where possible, returned to their shelters.

**Viborg Attacked**  
Viborg was also attacked and incendiary bombs started several fires.

There were also attacks all the while coast towns and villages were also shelled, either from naval batteries at Kronstadt or from warships.

**Hogland Occupied**  
According to one report, the Soviet Fleet has already occupied Hogland.

The land attack was in three main bodies.

The first body attacked along the Arctic Coast and, the Soviets said, has occupied the whole of the Rihachi Peninsula, part of which belongs to Finland.

It is on this peninsula that Finland has its one Arctic port that is ice-free all the year round.

The Soviets have coveted this port.

Another attack was on the eastern frontier. There was a great deal of artillery fire, which was returned by the Finns, who later withdrew so that the Soviets found themselves confronted with a No Man's Land.

The third attack was up the Karelian Isthmus, north of Leningrad. The Isthmus is only about 40 miles wide. Here the Soviets had the support of naval batteries.

During the early nights over Helsingfors, Soviet leaflets demanded the overthrow of the Finnish Government.

**Liberators Must Go**  
"Mannerheim and Cajander must go!" said leaflets. "After which peace will come."

M. Cajander is the Finnish President, while Field Marshal Mannerheim to-day took over the supreme command of Finland's forces.

He is regarded as the liberator of Finland, for he repulsed the Bolsheviks 20 years ago.

Both men enjoy great popularity.

**Three Raids On Capital**  
HELSINGFORS, Nov. 30 (Domel).—Soviet bombers flying in formation raided Helsingfors three times. Scores of bombs were dropped into the centre of the city.

During the third raid in the afternoon, incendiary bombs were dropped by Soviet planes and fires started at several places in the city.

Unofficial estimates by Government circles put the casualties caused by Soviet bombardment at over 200.

## BRITAIN'S ANSWER

Action Justifiable Though Reaction Regrettable

LONDON, Nov. 30.  
The Ministry of Economic Warfare in a statement replies to the German accusation that the detention of her exports is illegal and citing the Declaration of Paris of 1855.

The statement declares that Germany violated the relevant articles of this declaration. "She destroys the goods irrespective of their liability to seizure and destroys ships as well, even if they are neutral."

Therefore she is not entitled to claim observance of the treaty from the Allies.

"The British action is admittedly an act of reprisals, justifiable reply to the prior German irregularities, and is limited and established on the right of a belligerent to take reprisals if an enemy acts illegally."

"Our action is directed solely against German commerce. It is much regretted that it affects neutrals, but that cannot prejudice its legality as an act of reprisal."

The German action is in more violent and ruthless in effect upon neutrals, whose ships have been sunk and goods irretrievably lost and the lives of innocent beings sacrificed."

After recalling the doctrine of reprisals from ancient times deriving from the Roman "Lex Talionis," the statement points out that a situation similar to the present arose in the last war when illegal German submarine and mine action was answered by Orders in Council in March 1915 and February 1917 cutting off German seaborne exports.

**Premier Tells Of Aggression**  
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Finland Non-Aggression Pact which had been expressly designed to ensure the settlement of all disputes like this peacefully.

His Majesty's Government had observed these developments with increasing concern. They found it difficult to believe the strategic measures of such scope and importance involving a Soviet attack on Finland was intended, yet a few hours afterwards it was understood that Soviet forces had invaded Finnish territory at several sections of the frontier, and had dropped incendiary bombs on the neighbourhood of Helsingfors.

Later it was reported that Helsingfors, Viborg and other centres were bombed, in some cases with loss of life.

**Mediation Offer Welcomed**  
His Majesty's Government warmly welcomed the mediation offer made by Mr. Cordell Hull.

Since it was their opinion that the questions at issue between Finland and Soviet were not of a nature to justify resort to military measures (cheers), they deeply regretted the attack upon a small independent nation.

At the conclusion of Mr. Chamberlain's statement, Mr. Attlee asked whether the Government had received from the Soviets any statement of reasons for what "appears to be an indefensible act of unprovoked aggression."

Mr. Chamberlain replied: "None at all."

**Labour Party's Verdict**  
LONDON, Nov. 30 (Reuter).—In the House of Commons to-day, Mr. Hugh Dalton (Labour), initiating the debate on Foreign Affairs, declared that before the House assembled, the Labour Party had considered the Soviet-Finnish situation and had reached the conclusion that an act of aggression was committed by a great power against a small democratic country.

They particularly regretted that the Soviets had not accepted the United States' offer of mediation.

"Numerous" private houses have been demolished.

It is also reported that Soviet troops landed on Selkari Island in the Gulf of Finland, while units of the Soviet Baltic Sea Fleet have started an offensive on Helsingfors. Soviet warships were reported to have already passed off Hogland Island.

Soviet bombers dropped incendiary bombs on Enso, the centre of the industrial zone in southern Finland, several buildings, including a hospital, have been destroyed.

Viborg was severely shelled from the sea.

**Finn Forces Isolated**  
Soviet forces also started invading into Finland from the north, near the Rihachi Peninsula facing the Arctic Ocean.

The Finnish troops stationed in the peninsula are reported to have been isolated from their main force.

The Soviet attacks north of Lake Ladoga were increasing in violence. The Soviet action in this area is understood to aim at cutting off Suojarvi, strategically important panhandle into Soviet territory.

Latest field dispatches state that the Soviet forces invading from the Rihachi Peninsula have already captured important strategic positions in the area and have advanced to the immediate vicinity of the Norwegian border.

## GERMANY'S FEARFUL ECONOMIC POSITION

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100,000 tons of whale oil, undoubtedly will no longer venture into the Arctic waters where they would fall prey to British raiders.

The war will also deprive Germany of most of her annual catch of 300,000 tons of fish from the North Sea. Her Baltic catch is about 30,000 tons annually.

**Iron And Oil Shortage**  
The war created two other important shortages in Germany—iron and oil. Iron is as important to industry as oil is to the war machine.

Thus far the war has cost Germany almost two-thirds of her iron ore imports representing almost one-quarter of her entire supply. Some 12,000,000 tons of iron ore formerly imported from France, North Africa, Brazil and Newfoundland have been cut off.

The bulk of the remainder of Germany's iron ore imports is coming from Sweden. If Germany can continue to provide Sweden with coal there is no reason to believe that Sweden will not continue to export to Germany the usual 8,000,000 tons of ore annually, or possibly more.

Germany is trying harder than ever to utilize her own source of low grade iron to meet the new deficiency.

In two or three years she should be able to add about 7,000,000 tons to her annual output through the construction of new iron works designed especially for smelting low grade ore. She would still, however, be short of about 3,000,000 tons.

**Serious War Problem**  
Oil is one of Germany's most serious war problems. The hostilities have not greatly interfered with Germany's sources of fuel oil but they have doubled potential requirements.

German military experts have estimated that 12,000,000 tons of oil—some estimates are higher—will be needed to supply the Reich in war time. To-day, Germany can provide less than 30 per cent of that amount from her own resources.

By intensifying her efforts, Germany can recover more than 3,000,000 tons of benzine from her vast coal supplies this year, and next year probably will increase the amount to 4,000,000 tons. Oil well sources amount to only about 600,000 tons yearly.

Rumania and Russia are the likeliest sources for the balance of Germany's oil needs. Rumania annually disposes of a 6,000,000 ton surplus. It is questionable, however, whether Germany will be able to transport this amount. Neutral experts have estimated that only about half of it could be brought into the Reich by way of the Danube River.

Russia will probably have a surplus of about 1,000,000 tons of oil but neutral experts question whether she will be willing to neglect her reserves by exporting it all. Here, too, the problem of transportation arises.

**Lack Of Copper**  
The war further weakened Germany's copper. The Reich produces only about one-eighth of her normal copper needs. The war has now cut off the bulk of her imports which came principally from Africa, Chile and the United States. The two chief sources remaining are Finland, Sweden and Turkey.

Presently meet only about one-tenth of Germany's needs.

As for other metals, Germany will have to depend upon Russia for her increased manganese requirements on Hungary, Yugoslavia, Greece and Italy for bauxite, and on Turkey, Yugoslavia and Greece for chromium.

Poland's zinc resources made Germany self-sufficient in that respect.

The Allied blockade has cut off the Reich's rubber supply, and she can supply only about one-third of her needs with artificial rubber.

**Italy A Key Factor**  
Italy has become a key factor in Germany's attempt to solve her economic difficulties. Italy forms a bottleneck through which overseas neutrals might pour greatly needed materials into the Reich, for example soy beans from Manchuria and oil from Russia.

How effectively Italy can serve Germany in this manner, however, will depend upon how tightly British warships close the Suez Canal and the Mediterranean to neutral shipping destined for Germany.

Neutral observers believe Germany hopes to increase imports from the Scandinavian countries by preventing those countries from shipping to Great Britain. Goods which cannot be delivered to Britain through the U-boat net probably will be bartered to Germany for German goods.

Germany's greatest economic gain from the war thus far is Poland, whose annual coal production of 44,500,000 tons will serve the Reich both for bartering purposes and in the production of synthetic oil.

**SPARING NEUTRALS**  
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for the British decision and to appreciate the radical differences between the British and German policies.

**United We Stand**  
"We are more closely allied with France than ever before, both in thought and action."

"The recent appointment of M. Jean Monnet as the first Inter-Allied Official of the Co-ordinating Committee mocks at the declining attempts of German propaganda to try to draw a distinction between the aims and objects of the two nations."

Alluding to the Balkans, Mr. Butler was sure that any opportunity of improving trade with Greece would be taken and the matter was under active consideration.

The Government was gratified to learn of the recent decision of Turkey and Bulgaria to reduce the number of troops on the frontier regions, which it was hoped, would lead to a renewal of confidence between the two governments.

## Capt. Foster's Racing Notes

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2721 annexed the Shum Chun Handicap in easy fashion. Tomorrow, Tuesday, Foster has a pull of 19 lbs. against Blue Diamond, and taking everything in the balance the difference of weights is too much against the "precious stone" equine race.

**GALLOWGATE H'CAP**  
**Novices' Opportunity**

THERE is a good opportunity for the novices to show off their true colours in the first leg of the daily double event, which is on the first section of the Gallowgate Handicap for "D" class China ponies, and it is going to be a fine scurry from the 1½ mile post (about half mile 160 yards). Much depends upon the start, and in the circumstance anything may happen.

The handicapper has assigned 15 steeds to this division, and a glimpse over the entries seems to suggest that spotting the winner is not going to be easy. There are several speedy merchants such as Eslover, Kut Cheung, The Leopard and West Lake. Blue and Kut Cheung have too much lead to carry, and with novices up it makes matters worse.

However my best three are The Leopard, The Tigress and This Time, and I think that they will cross the line in the order I have named.

As an outsider I fancy Zoro, provided, of course the owner jockey can draw 144 lbs. Mr. H. M. Botelho is no doubt the best novice we have at present and it pays to follow his mount.

**GORBALS HANDICAP**  
**A Very Even Struggle**

THERE are only eight China ponies in the second section of the Gorbals Handicap for "C" class raters, and the sprint is over the six furlongs course.

Advancing Time, having brought back to this division, will no doubt evoke much interest in the pari-mutuel department. It will be recalled that this dun mare, after having won two "D" class events, was promoted to "C" class, but the handicapper placed her in the first section where the lady did nothing.

In this section Advancing Time has, I think, a tough proposition against her own sex namely, Laughing Girl, Salvage Master and Sunlight View. It seems that the owners have not been treating Laughing Girl with due care, for the mare has not registered a win since the resumption, in fact her last three outings were always locked together with other contenders. She and Scenic View dead-heated for third place in the Austin Handicap, but in a subsequent outing Laughing Girl and Salvage Master could not be disjoined in the Connaught Handicap for second prize stake-money.

At the last meeting the same three runners could not be separated for second position in the frame in the Shum Chun Handicap, and I wonder what is going to happen to-morrow? It was certainly a "hat-trick" for Laughing Girl. The inclusion of Guinness Time in this section coupled with the champion jockey in the saddle will make the event very interesting. Boiling everything down my fancy is Laughing Girl.

**AULD REEKIE H'CAP**  
**An Easier Selection**

THE penultimate event, the Auld Reekie Handicap for "C" class Australian ponies over a mile, has been selected as the second leg of the daily double. I do not think that it will be hard to pick the winner, for in my opinion Pumpernickel should provide the second leg with Stratherrick and Violet Queen following in the rear.

**FINAL EVENT**  
**Twenty-Five Acceptors**

THE St. Andrew's Meeting will be terminated with a fine display of a big field in the Gallowgate Handicap (second section) for "D" class China steeds to be ridden by novices, and the scramble is from the 1½ mile post.

The handicapper has drafted 25 ponies to this section, and it is learned that practically all the mounts have already been booked. Arabian Cat, Geordie, Lancashire Chap, Portrush, Radium Star, Sunshine Susie, Talkative and Tiny Tim should be in the line-up at the finish, but the baton will be held by Talkative.

**FINLAND'S MAGNOT LINE**  
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with huge granite blocks, forming anti-tank barriers.

Some areas are sealed with cunningly arranged systems of barbed wire, of which much is electrified.

In addition the Finns have dug a net work of broad furrows.

Full advantages are taken of the peculiarities of the landscape. All sorts of emplacements and large fortifications have been erected.

## Warships Take Refuge

British Vessels In Norwegian Port

OSLO, Nov. 30 (Reuter).—The Norwegian naval authorities announce that two British warships and a damaged British submarine put in at the Norwegian coast near Stavanger, pleading stress of weather and damage.

First a British cruiser arrived at 7 a.m., being followed two hours later by the other warship and the submarine.

The Norwegian authorities sent planes and coastguards to inspect the British ships for damage.

**No Connection**  
LONDON, Nov. 30 (Reuter).—It is announced that there is no connection between the putting-in into Norway of two British warships and a submarine, and reports of the naval battle near Norway between warships and aeroplanes.

**RED AGGRESSION**  
**ANGERS AMERICA**  
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would welcome the United States' good offices.

**British Press Comment**  
LONDON, Nov. 30 (Reuter).—Although to-day's leading articles in the British Press were written before the Soviet invasion of Finland, most papers considered the invasion inevitable and bitterly condemned the Soviet aggression.

The "Times" says that the Soviet excuses are even more grotesque than those of the Nazis before Germany invaded Poland.

No more perfunctory excuse could have been made than to suggest that the troops of a small country, all of whose interests were based on peace and neutrality, could threaten a nation of 180,000,000 people.

**Brutal Doctrine**  
The "Daily Telegraph" points out that the alleged threat to Leningrad was no greater to-day than it was in 1932 when Soviet Russia signed a Non-Aggression Pact with Finland, which she has now denounced.

The Labour paper, "Daily Herald," says that Finland is a highly civilised and democratic country. Russia's only excuse is the brutal imperialist doctrine that might is right.

**Borlin Silent**  
LONDON, Nov. 30 (Reuter).—German wireless stations up to a late hour to-day made no mention of the bombing of Helsingfors, while Moscow stations made no reference whatever to the attack on Finland. Official Red circles had no statement to make.

**STOCK MARKET**  
**REPORT**

Hongkong Stock Exchange Official Summary issued yesterday says: There are enquiries knocking about the market, but the volume of trading continues small. Enquiries, possibly with an eye to the future, are desirous of acquiring an interest in quite a few stocks, but as they are so diffident in declaring what they are prepared to pay for accommodation holders remain uninterested and refuse to trade.

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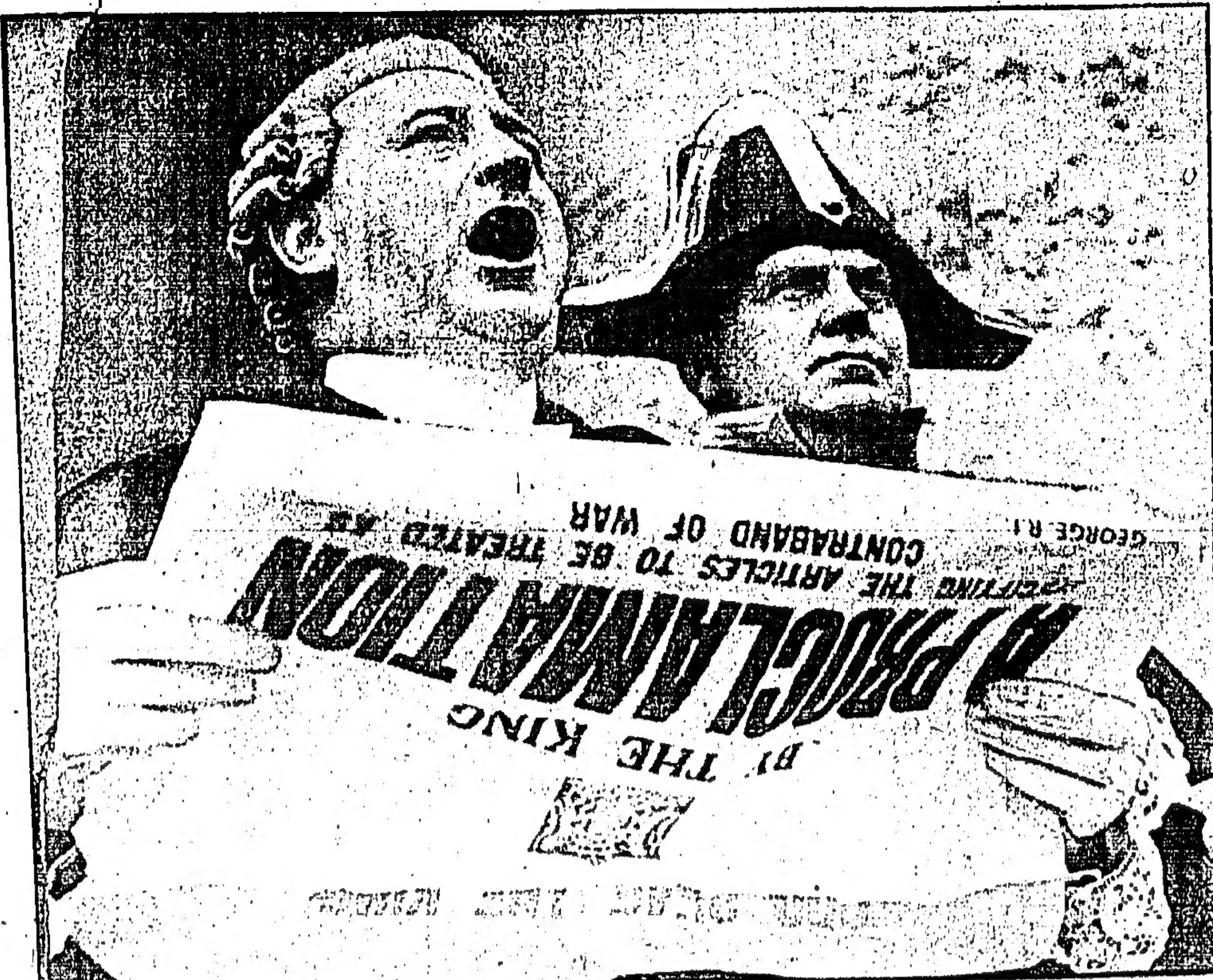
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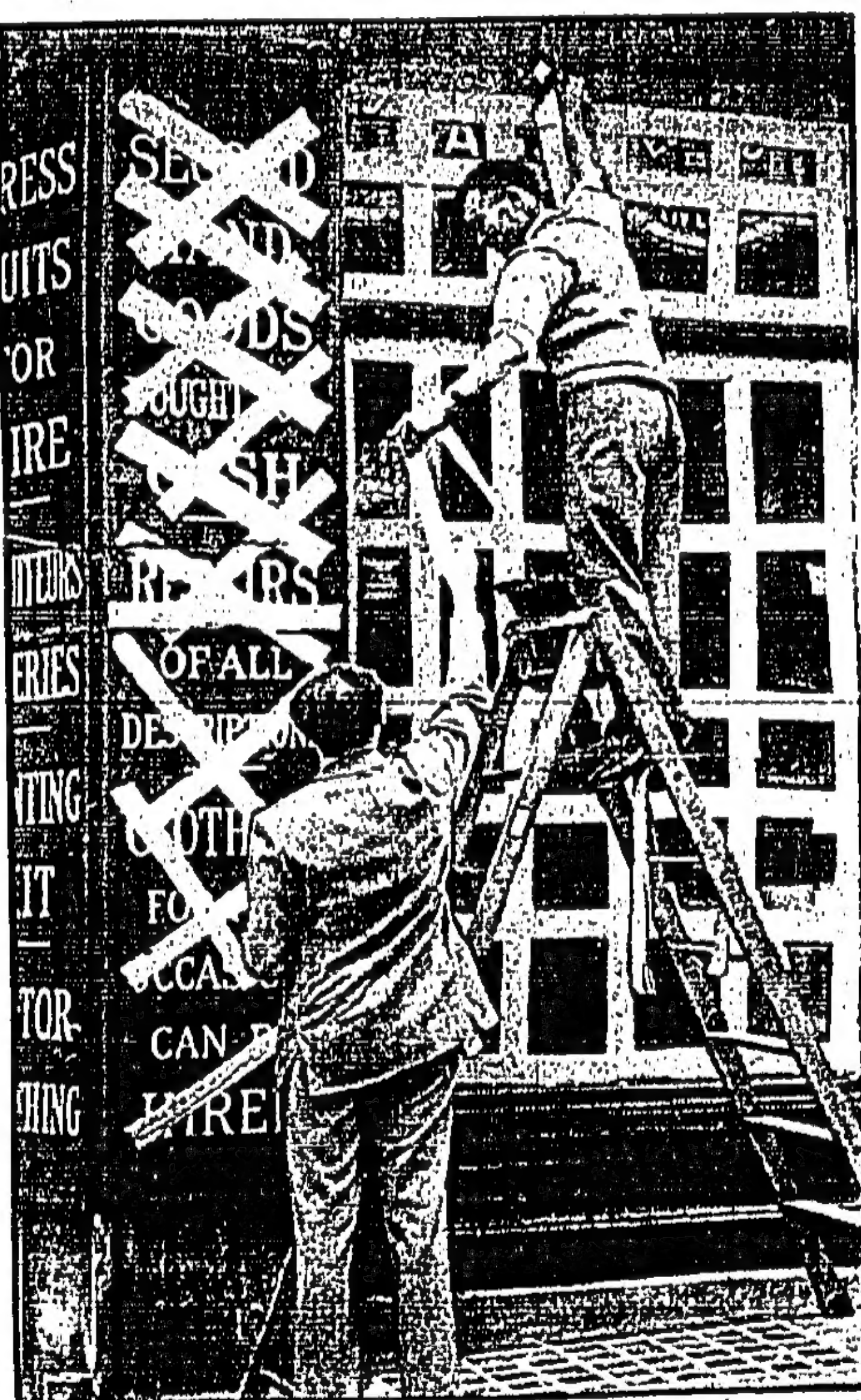


## ER READS WAR PROCLAMATION



usual—even if it is in sandbagged and boarded-up premises.

Mr. W. T. Boston, Saltbearer and acting Town Crier of the City of London, reading from the steps of the Royal Exchange, the proclamation specifying the articles to be treated as contraband of war.



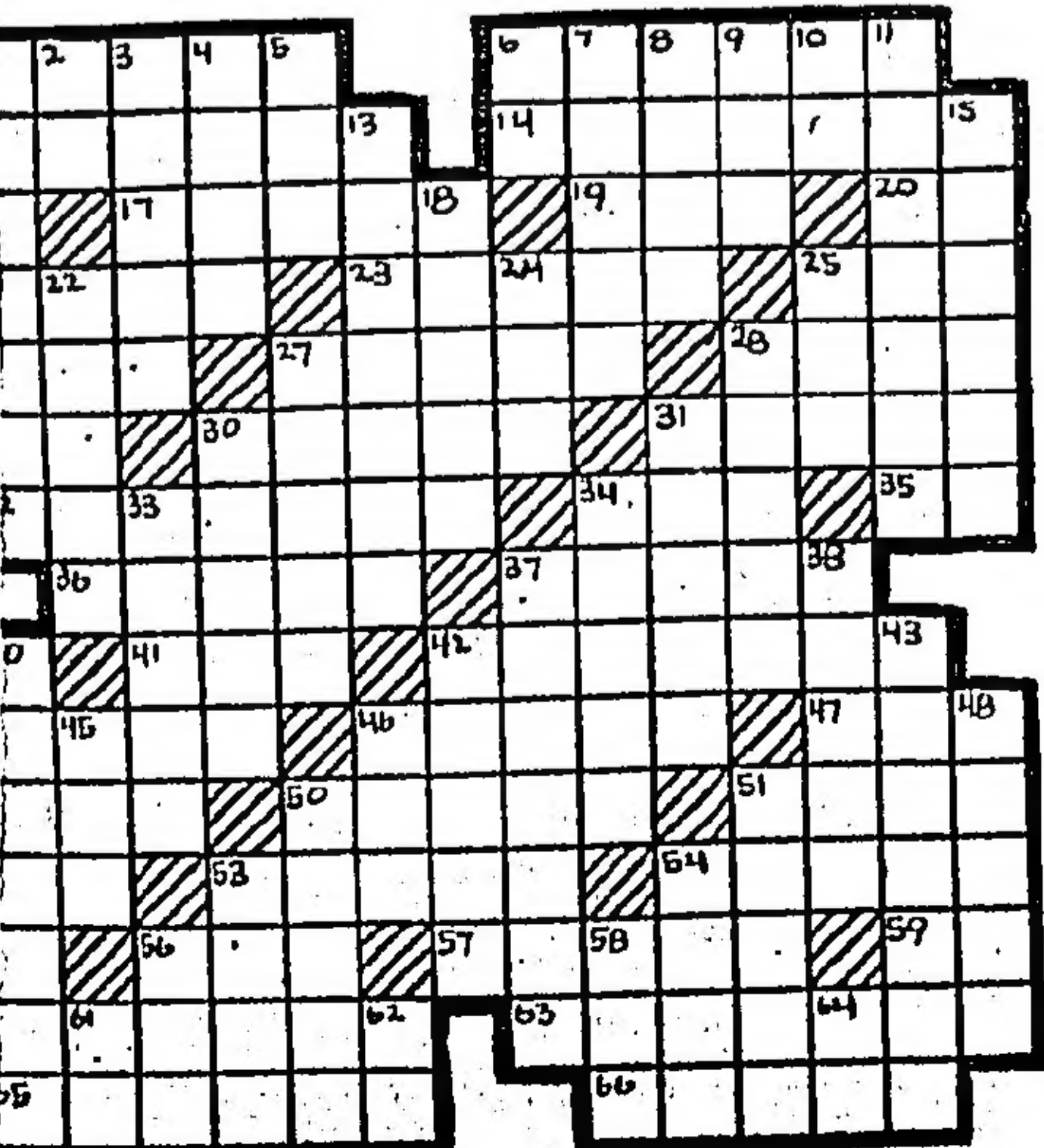
Pasting criss-cross strips of paper on a London shopfront to prevent flying glass. (Right) Steel-hatted policeman on duty near a London police telephone kiosk.

## Crossword Puzzle

By LARS MORRIS

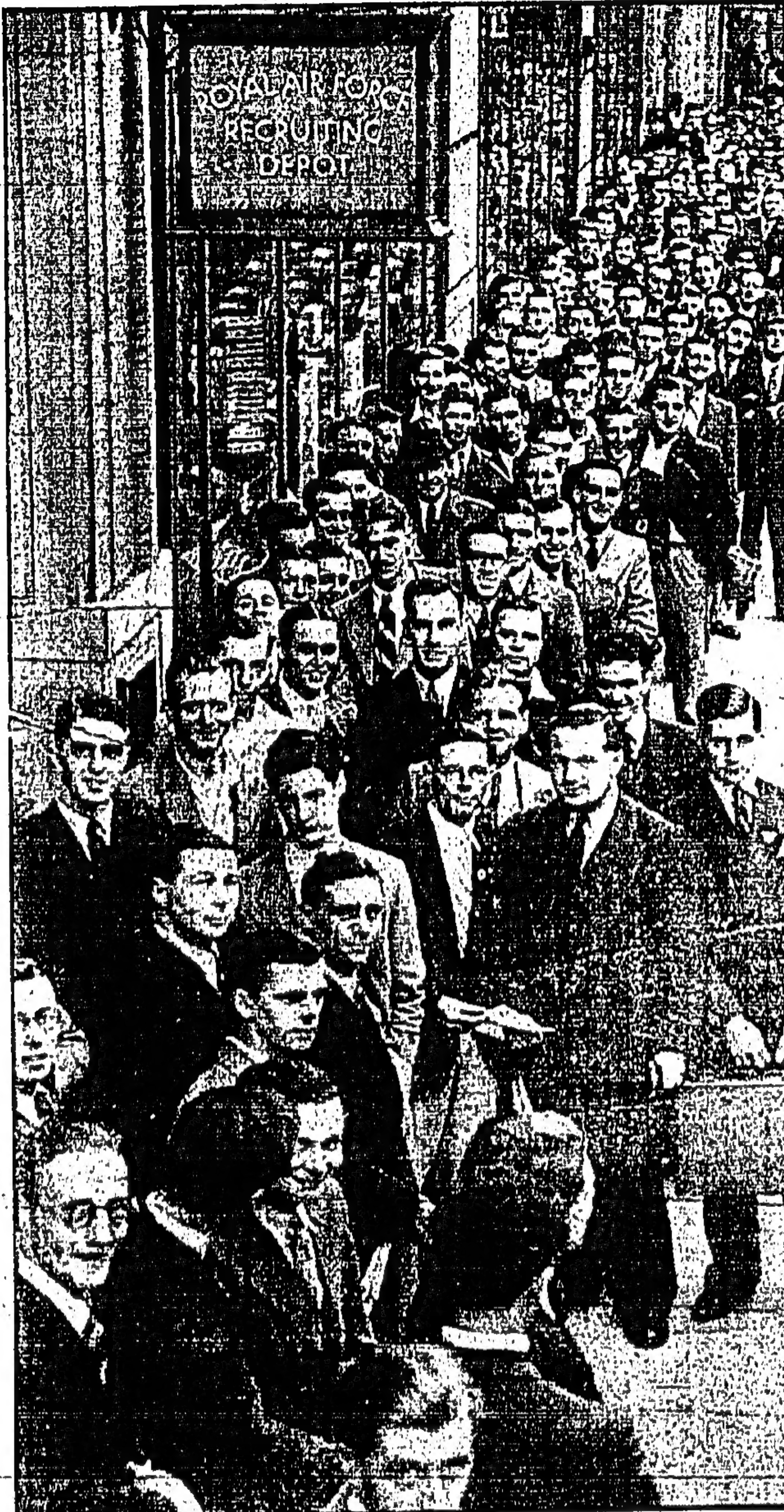
ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE

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Shanghai, Nov. 30. The East Asia Marine Transport Company has embarked upon a programme to strengthen its Yangtze transport by building before July 40, 600 tons of shipping. Three passenger boats, the 2,500-ton Kootoo Maru, the 4,020-ton Myoko Maru, and the freighter 2,577-ton Zuiko Maru, which have been completed, will shortly be enlisted in the Yangtze service.

Seven 3,300-ton passenger boats, including the Koon Maru, Koto Maru, Koryu Maru, Koun Maru, Koshi Maru and Kohai Maru, as well as a number of freighters under construction, will be put into service as soon as possible. A luxury Kobe-Shanghai ferryboat, the Kobe Maru, 7,400 tons, will be completed by August. Upon completion of the programme, the Company's mercantile marine will total 72 vessels amounting to 204,000 tons. After completing plans for the ferry service between Japan and China and the Central China transport, the Company will launch its second programme at the end of next year with a view to strengthening its North China service.—Domei.



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Butter beans and onions are the foundation of Lenten pie. Soak half a pound of beans overnight and boil them next day with the same quantity of onions, four large tomatoes, and salt to taste.

When they are cooked arrange them in a pie-dish in layers, finishing with a teaspoonful of soaked tapoca and one or two hard-boiled eggs cut in slices, if these can be spared.

Half fill the dish with the liquid in which the vegetables were cooked, saving the rest to re-heat and hand which can be made with dripping to save margarine and hard, and bake in a quick oven for about half an hour.

This pie is equally good hot or cold.

W. B.

## Sequins And Black

Paris—Sequins are hiding their light in a modest way. A black afternoon frock in Patou's collection had the bodice front overlaid with sequins veiled with black georgette. Each sequin is wrapped in a little georgette cover. Multicolour pullets in an evening blouse, shine through an overblouse of pleated tulle, another veiling notion from the same source.



This smart traveller wears an ensemble created by a young New York designer. Her double-breasted top coat of plum and beige herringbone tweed is cut with high wide revers. The two-piece frock underneath it is of soft-plum-coloured woolen. Matching wool yarn is used for her hat and matching calf for her brass studded shoes.



Topaz-coloured metal moire combined with matching tulle makes this beautiful theatre dress with the tailor top and apron peplum. The fullness of the skirt swings free from the waist in back. Moire gloves and a muff and stole of blue-fog-dyed-shunk add elegance.

## Looking After Your Furs

Is there anything which gives a woman such a well-dressed feeling as wearing furs? For not only are furs kind and soothing to the face, but they are dignified as well. Wearing furs, it is easy to feel graceful.

But furs need care. Furs soon lose their self-respect, and if they are neglected their appeal quickly vanishes. Yet it is surprising how many women keep on airing their furs day after day, without giving a thought to their looks and general maintenance.

For instance, brushing and combing furs should be part of their weekly toilet. Use a fairly stiff brush do not, of course, be too vigorous, and brush the way the hair "flows," that is, from the head and not the tail end. Afterwards comb carefully, using a coarse, steel comb. The fur may appear to moults! But that is nothing to worry about. Only loose hairs will come away and they are better banished.

## Bran Cleaning

Give dark furs an occasional clean with bran. Rub some warm bran generously into the fur with the fingers. This will absorb the dirt. When quite clean, give a cold bran application, and finally beat out all the bran dust and brush the fur out.

If you have a musquash cape or tie it can be very much revived by rubbing in silver sand, which, when brushed out, leaves the fur looking gloriously glossy.

And a good tip to keep in mind for cleaning a white fur wrap is to use your favourite dry shampoo powder. Rub it well into the fur and leave it to do its best for a couple of hours. Then shake or brush the fur and its pristine freshness will delight you.

Light grey fur flourishes on powdered magnesia. Rub it (warm) well into the fur, and then beat out afterwards.

Never leave a tiny tear or split in fur unattended. For this gives the moth its big chance. Always repair from the inside, unpicking the lining first. Choose a fine steel needle for the job and sew with silk.

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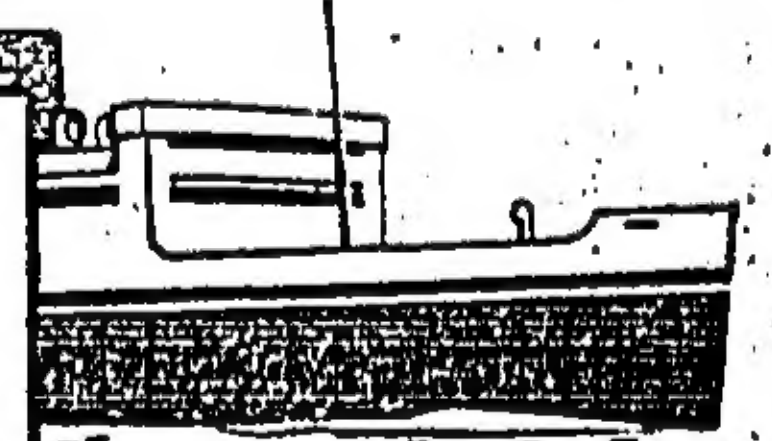
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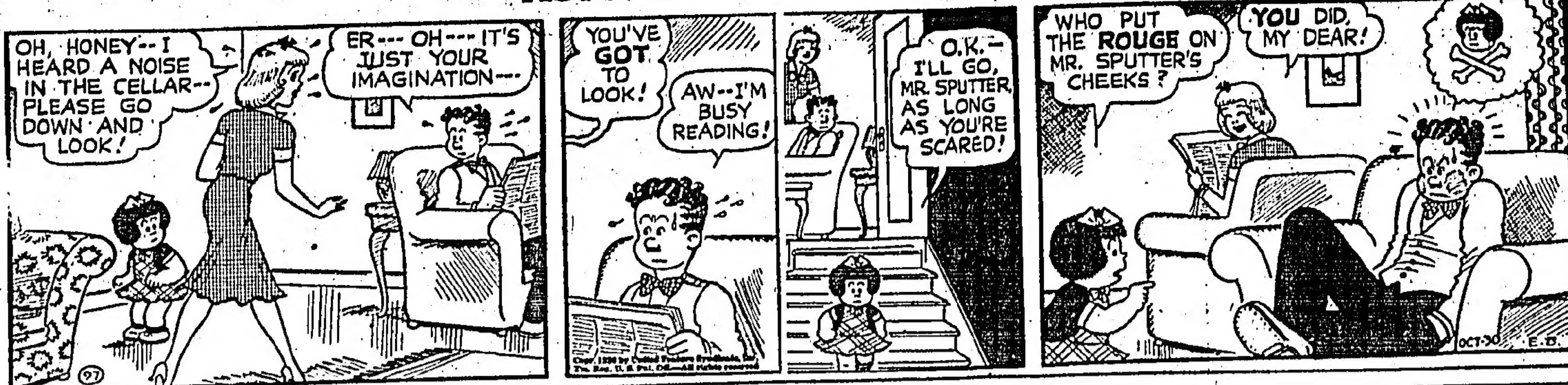


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### Baby Eats Light Bulb

PASADENA.—An 11-months-old baby began eating a small electric light globe. The mother slipped the infant on the back until he had coughed fragments of glass. A fluoroscopic examination developed that he had swallowed nothing and suffered only a slight cut in the mouth.

A FAIR-HAired, bespectacled German, 24 years old, stood in a long queue of volunteers outside a London recruiting office one day recently, waiting his turn to join the British Army.

He was one of the thousands who besieged recruiting centres throughout the country in prompt response to the call for men between 22 and 35.

The German produced his identity documents, bearing the endorsement: "Refugee from Nazi oppression." He has been in England since last May, when he was released from a Nazi concentration camp.

"Now," he said, "I want to fight with the British and show the Nazi something!" His case will be specially considered by the military authorities.

### Struggle In Freedom Radio Studio

THE secret studio of the German Freedom Party, the anti-Nazi organisation within Germany which broadcasts to the German people inciting them to overthrow Hitler, has apparently had an exciting adventure.

The station last reported that it was broadcasting from the heart of Cologne.

The announcer was referring to the disclosures made by Mr. Knickerbocker, the American journalist, of the fortunes the Nazi leaders have smuggled abroad when he suddenly stopped talking. A door was heard to open and apparently someone forced his way into the studio.

#### Noise Of Fight

For the next three minutes scuffling noises were heard as if a fight were in progress.

Then the door was slammed again and listeners received the impression that the intruder—or his body—had been thrown out.

The announcer returned to the microphone and in breathless tones apologised for a "technical hitch."

Hitler's wireless experts are doing their best to jam the Freedom Station which, in its efforts to make itself heard by the German people, sometimes changes its wave-length several times during a single broadcast.

Men of all ages and classes waited outside the doors of London recruiting centres long before they opened, and throughout the day there was a constant stream of would-be soldiers.

#### Many 1914-18 Veterans

City stockbrokers with black hats, striped trousers and neatly furled umbrellas discussed the latest war news with burly navvies in dungarees and muffers. Some had been thrown out of work by the war, others, in good jobs, had felt the call to the Colours irresistible.

The queues were swelled by many veterans of the last war who applied to join the new Pioneer Corps.

Five doctors and a staff of nearly 20 worked all day at the centre in Seven Sisters Road, Holloway, which serves the City and West End.

#### Overwhelmed

"We are simply overwhelmed by volunteers," said an official. "We cannot cope with the rush, and many of the men have been told to come back to-morrow. All day we have been rushed almost off our feet."

The volunteers did not actually enter the Army yesterday. After being interviewed and medically examined they were told to report on November 15 to the training unit of the corps for which they had enlisted. Each was given a railway warrant from the recruiting office to his home with another, dated November 15, from his home to the unit he is to join.

### Nazis Jeer At British Song

### No Washing Yet On Siegfried Line

"We are hanging up our washing on the Siegfried Line" was the subject of a contemptuous broadcast recently from Zeesen, the German short-wave station.

"We have made inquiries among German soldiers on leave from the Siegfried Line," the speaker said.

"They report they have not seen a single Tommy between Luxembourg and the Palatinate frontier. But we hear from other sources that the Tommies have arrived in great numbers—in Paris!"

"Hotel owners of the Montparnasse, managers of those queer little cafes that abound in Montmartre, and everybody in the Paris sight-seeing industry are hoping that the good old days when rich young Americans spent money like water have returned. And, by jove, they are not far wrong!"

#### Air Minister's Visit

"The British Air Minister, Sir Kingsley Wood, the speaker continued, 'has also been in Paris. Between one dinner and the next he had the good taste to be photographed on an old bus bearing the sign 'To the Siegfried Line and beyond.'"

"The song about hanging washing on the Siegfried Line is very popular in England just now. Well, we are not so sure that it will ever correspond with the truth. At least we have not yet seen British Tommies doing anything of the sort."

## So A Royal Parcel Reached the Front..

At the Army Post Office, a MEMBER of the Royal Family, now in France, recently received a cake from Marlborough House, St. James's. It might never have arrived but for Sapper D—in the Army Post Office, somewhere in England.

The string was loose. Sapper D carefully re-tied it. That's a job he has to do many times a day.

He was looking ruefully at a tattered package in which a tin of tobacco, a slab of chocolate, a bar of soap, and a face towel jutted out of the torn edges of brown paper.

"Here's a nice pickle," he observed, exploring the broken wrapping for an address. "And it's got to go all the blooming way to France yet."

Sapper D got together the contents, carefully rewrapped them in new airtight brown paper, re-wrote the address, and thrust the parcel on a pile of others he had dealt with in the same way.

#### Thousands A Week

The Army Post Office is now forwarding 4,500 bags of letters and 13,000 bags of parcels a week to our soldiers and airmen in France.

The chief, Lieut.-Colonel F. Lane, R.E., until the outbreak of war Postmaster-Surveyor at Birmingham, gets the mail to the troops (from pillar-box to door-step) in six days, aided by 650 officers and men recently transformed from 650 civilian postal workers into A.P.O. corps of the Royal Engineers.

Col. Lane takes the job in his stride, but he has a basket of worry. In fact, two baskets. One contains letters, the other parcels, all wrongly or inadequately addressed.

#### Wrongly Addressed

Colonel Lane told of a woman who had gone in despair to the War Office after receiving a letter from her soldier husband saying: "If I don't hear from you in three days our marriage is at an end."

Inquiries showed that the letters she had written had been wrongly addressed.

Be Warned. "On your parcels or letters put the soldier's rank, name, number, number of company, section, battery, or squadron, number of unit, and add 'B.E.F.' They'll get there all right."

## Flag Ruse Will Not Save Nazi Ships

BRITAIN is unlikely to recognise the war-time transfer of German ships to the flags of other nations.

This was stated recently by a high authority when asked what the Government's attitude would be if Nazi merchant vessels were sold to neutrals—Italy or Russia for instance.

The same authority reported that the British Government was now working in close co-operation with neutral countries so that the British Contraband Control would work with as little inconvenience as possible.

Advance cargo lists are being flown to London so that before a neutral trader reaches a control port the British Contraband Control Committee has had an opportunity of deciding whether or not the cargo may proceed unhindered to its destination.

#### Guarantees

Neutral shipping lines are also giving a guarantee whereby a ship may be allowed to proceed to her port of destination on the understanding that her cargo will be unloaded there but held until released by the British Committee. If the Committee decides that the whole of the cargo or part of it should be returned to England for adjudication by the Prize Court this will be done.

Neutral Governments are also giving guarantees that certain cargoes will not be re-exported but used only for home consumption.

Yet another method of expediting cargoes is for a neutral shipping line to give a guarantee to the British Ambassador in the country from which a ship is sailing, and he is authorised to issue a document which, in effect, franks the cargo as bona fide.

The "News Chronicle" is informed that the British Government is satisfied that the difficulties are gradually being overcome satisfactorily by the exercise of mutual understanding.

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Some of the attractions are—Aerial runway, Children's Fancy Dress Parade, Open-air Physical Culture Display by the Women's League of Health, Pony rides for the children, Military Band Performance, Nigger Minstrel Show, Fortune telling, all the fun of the Fete (side-shows), Caricatures and Sketches, exceptionally attractive stalls for Christmas shopping, and a Grand Fete Carnival Dance.

It is particularly hoped that a large number of children will enter for the Fancy Dress Parade, as in previous years. There is no entrance fee, and attractive prizes will be given.

Part of the proceeds will go to the British War Organisation Fund, and the rest to Church charities.

The Fete will be opened at 3 p.m.

## Blockading Germany

The British decision to tighten the blockade of Germany was extended to Hongkong in a Government Gazette Extraordinary, issued yesterday, promulgating an order made by His Majesty in Council on November 27.

The order states that any vessel which sailed from an enemy port after December 4 or has on board goods of enemy origin may be required to discharge in an allied port the enemy goods or goods laden in the enemy port. Such goods shall be placed in the custody of the marshal of the Prize Court for disposition as the Court orders.

Merchants who wish to ensure that their exports from European countries are not delayed or detained are advised to obtain certificates of origin and interest from a British or French Consular Officer in the non-enemy European countries concerned and to arrange for these certificates to accompany their goods on board the vessel.



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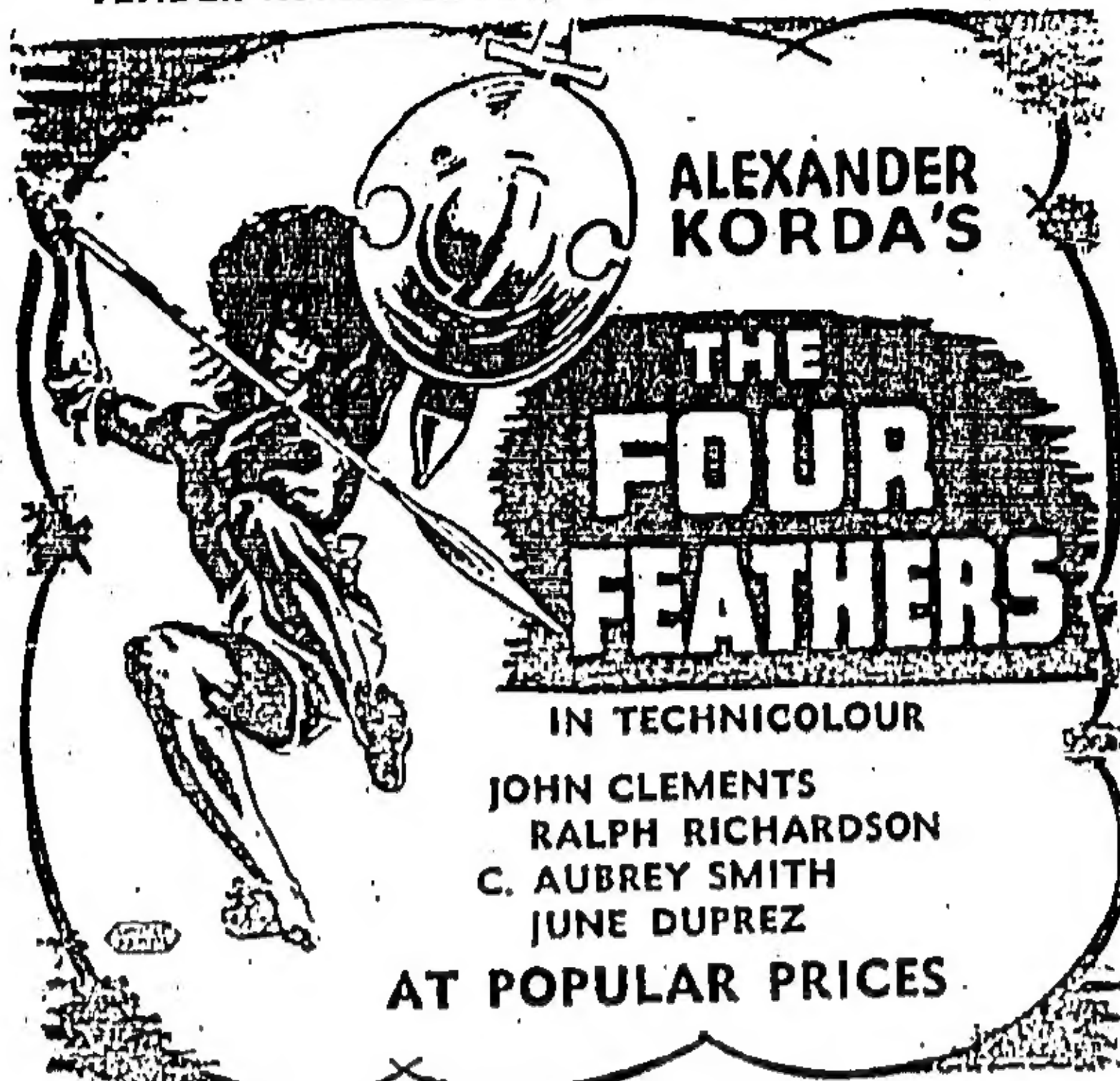
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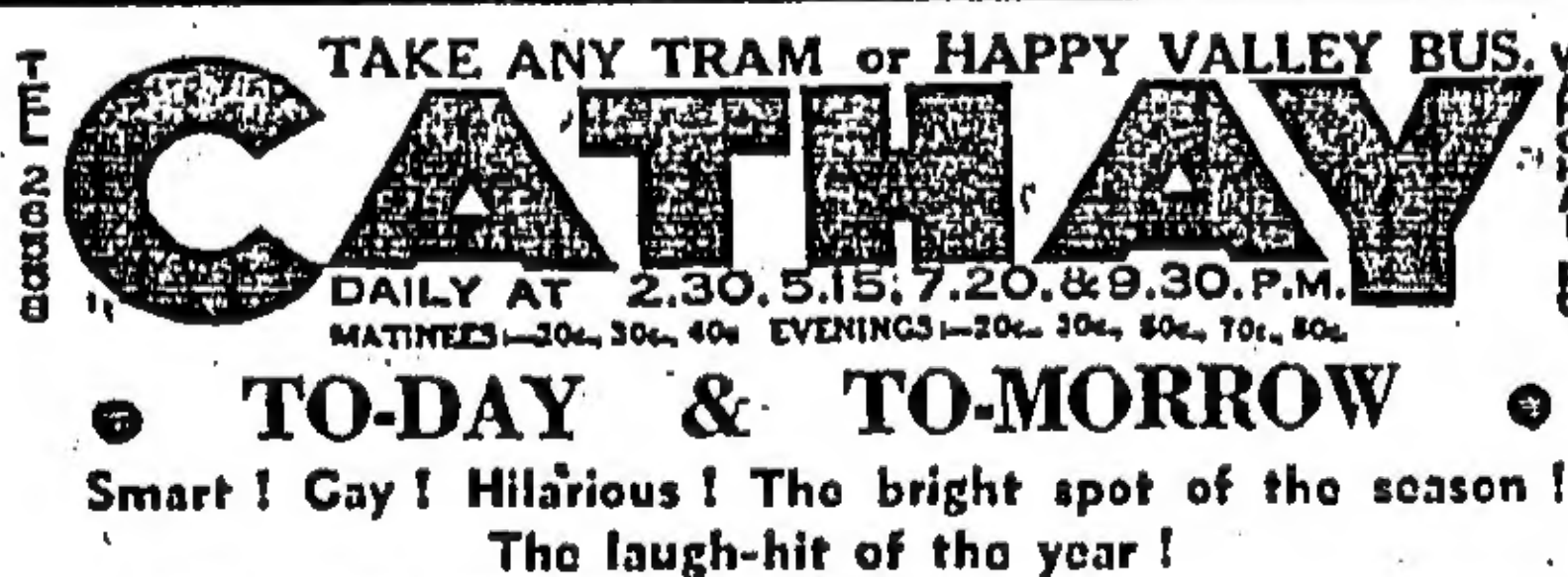


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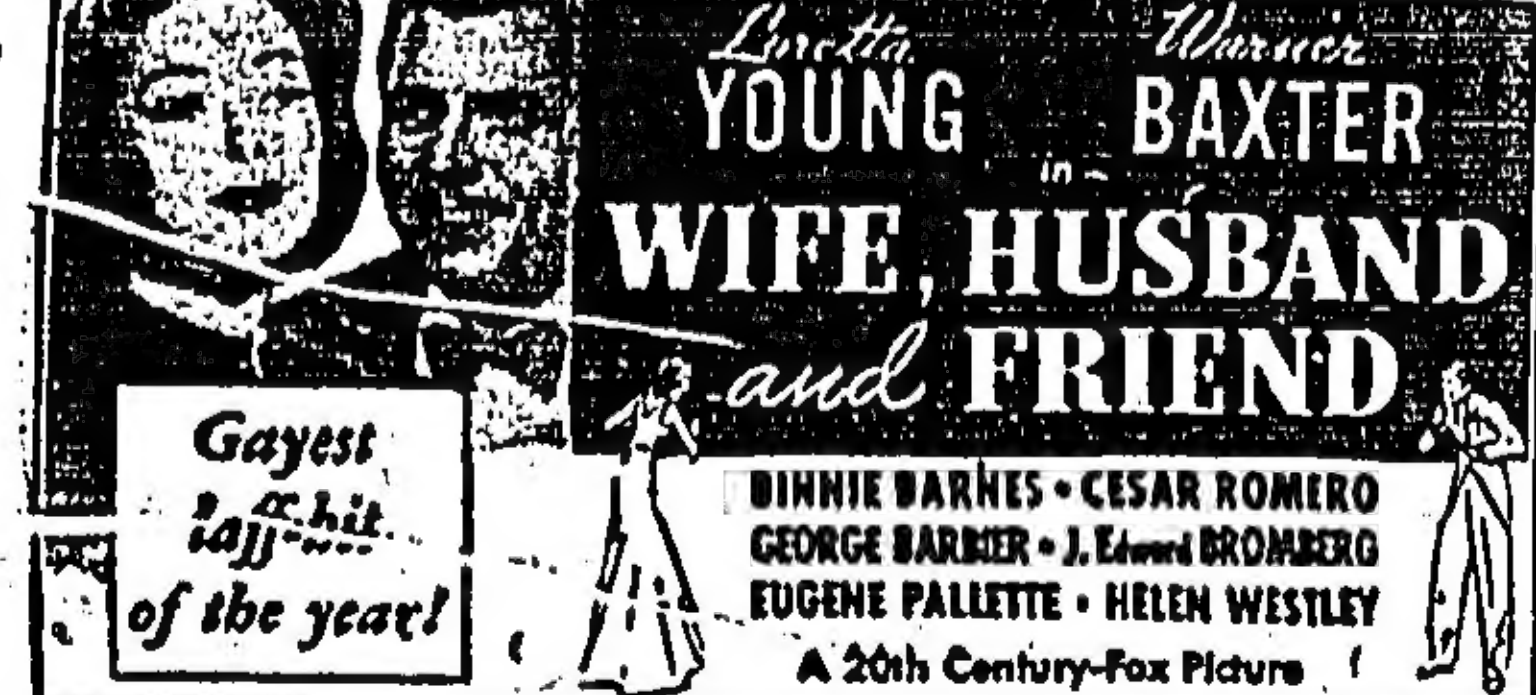
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Sun. & MON. BOBBY BREEN in "RAINBOW ON THE RIVER"

## Spoils Sent Home By Secret Police NAZI INVADERS LOOT CONQUERED WARSAW

**HELSINGFORS.**  
People arriving here from Warsaw state that the Poles are now facing famine, and guerrilla warfare is daily being intensified, owing to the wholesale looting and other activities of the Nazi invaders.

Valuable furniture, paintings, and bric-a-brac, seized by Gestapo officers, are despatched to German homes. Closed shops are being broken into and their goods, including art treasures and old books, are sent to the Reich.

Gestapo agents are everywhere. People who refuse to surrender food or fuel, textiles or metals are beaten or fined. Some have been imprisoned and others executed. Even door handles and metal kitchen utensils have been collected for the Reich.

In some places people of both sexes between the ages of 14 and 45 were forced to help the Labour Corps.

### Forced To Clean Streets

In an effort to create sympathy for themselves the Germans supply the poor and members of the underground with food taken from the wealthy classes. The people are strictly forbidden to listen to foreign broadcasts.

Before Hitler's arrival in Warsaw to review the German forces which conquered the city, the inhabitants were forced to clean the streets, remove debris, and rub out slogans written on walls.

Such slogans as "Death to the German bandits" had to be replaced by "Death to Poland."

For months before the Polish invasion Polish soldiers were supplied with special German-Polish dictionaries containing such phrases as "Give up food or be shot." The last three words appear on nearly every page.

The German bombardment having shattered most of the windows, unbroken panes were removed for use in buildings in which Germans are billeted.

The municipality was ordered to provide the invaders with the best of everything, including feather beds, and wines and other luxuries.

### Reign Of Terror In Villages

Secret police are rounding-up people with members of their families living abroad to compel their relatives to serve German interests under a threat that the hostages will otherwise suffer.

Spies supplied the Germans with lists of Poles who had distinguished themselves in their country's service, and many have disappeared. Their fate is unknown.

Doctors were arrested and forced to attend the German wounded, leaving the Poles without medical assistance.

Conditions are even worse in the villages and country districts, where "feeding" officers and N.C.O.s, now masters of life or death, are creating a reign of terror and seizing all provisions and harvests.

Members of German minorities in Poland are employed in spreading virulent propaganda blaming the Allies for the disaster to Poland and gloating at the absence of direct help by France and Britain.

### Blacklisted By Spies

Lists were supplied of Poles who had spoken adversely about Germany, and of tens of thousands of Jewish refugees from Germany, Czechoslovakia and Austria, who are now subjected to terrible persecution. Only specialists are spared, on condition that they return to Germany to assist the Nazis.

All cameras and pictures showing the effect of German bombardment are being confiscated. The German promise to permit Polish officers to retain their swords and the soldiers to return to their homes has been broken. Instead, troops are being sent in large numbers to concentration camps.

Whole towns like Siedlce and Nowgorod, whose population were respectively 70,000 and 12,000, have

## GEE-GEES POPULAR AGAIN IN LONDON

THE war has fetched the equine dug-outs from their retirement, like the Army dug-outs. Many a superannuated gee-gee, that thought it had finished long ago with all that, has been brought back into harness and goes clop-clopping once more along the well-remembered streets.

Some of them are as glad to return to the scenes of their youth as the evicted London children. After the boring silence of the country, the din and clutter of the London streets are music in their ears; the quick lunch out of the morning, after the tedious cropping of the meadow grass, is no hardship to these town-bred animals. Neigh! They prefer it!

But sometimes they get a poor deal. Not all of them that return are fit for work any more; and that was the case with the two horses that were the subject of a charge at Old-street.

## LATE NEWS

### RED ADVANCE CHECKED

**HELSINGFORS, Dec. 1 (Reuter).**  
The Red units have swept through Rybachy Peninsula in the extreme north of Finland, but they have made little progress in Karelian Isthmus, where their advance has been limited to about five miles, despite the employment of mechanized units, advancing under cover of heavy fire.

### CONFLICTING REPORT

Conflicting reports regarding Finnish Government resignation are being received. "Reuter" reports Cabinet met in afternoon and later both Houses of Parliament voted confidence by overwhelming majority. "There is no sign that Finland will accept the Red demands for the Government's resignation," says "Reuter."

been completely wrecked by German shells and bombs.

The ruins of the first now bear a big tablet erected by the Germans stating: "Here stood Siedlce."

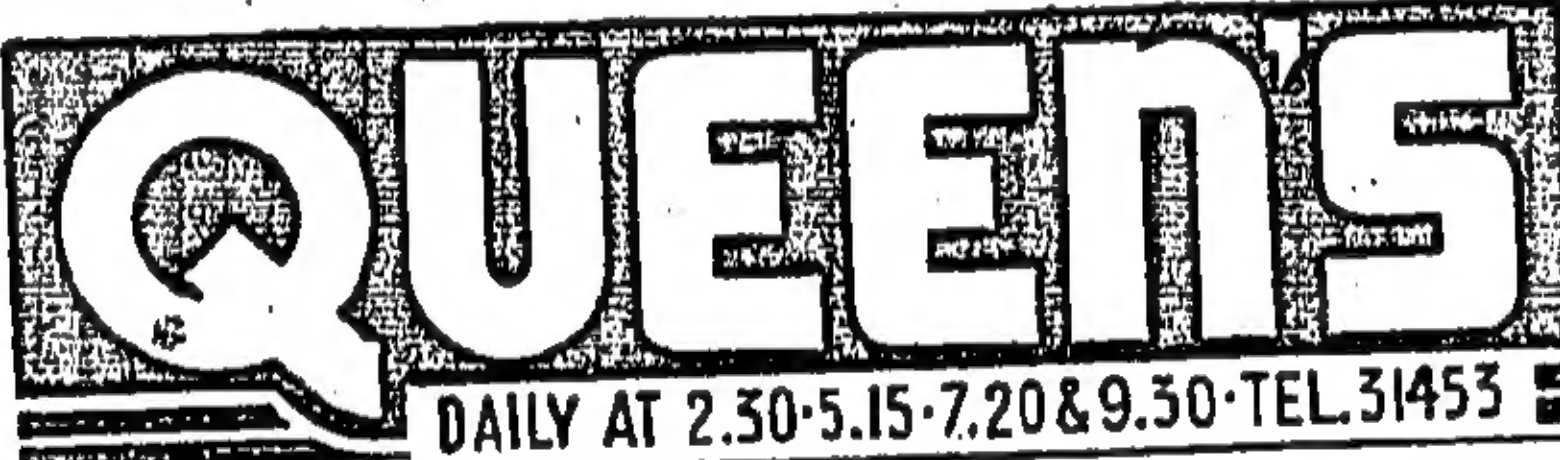
Reports that M. Starynski, Mayor of Warsaw, committed suicide are completely discredited, but his fate is unknown.

### Surrender Of Nation Demanded

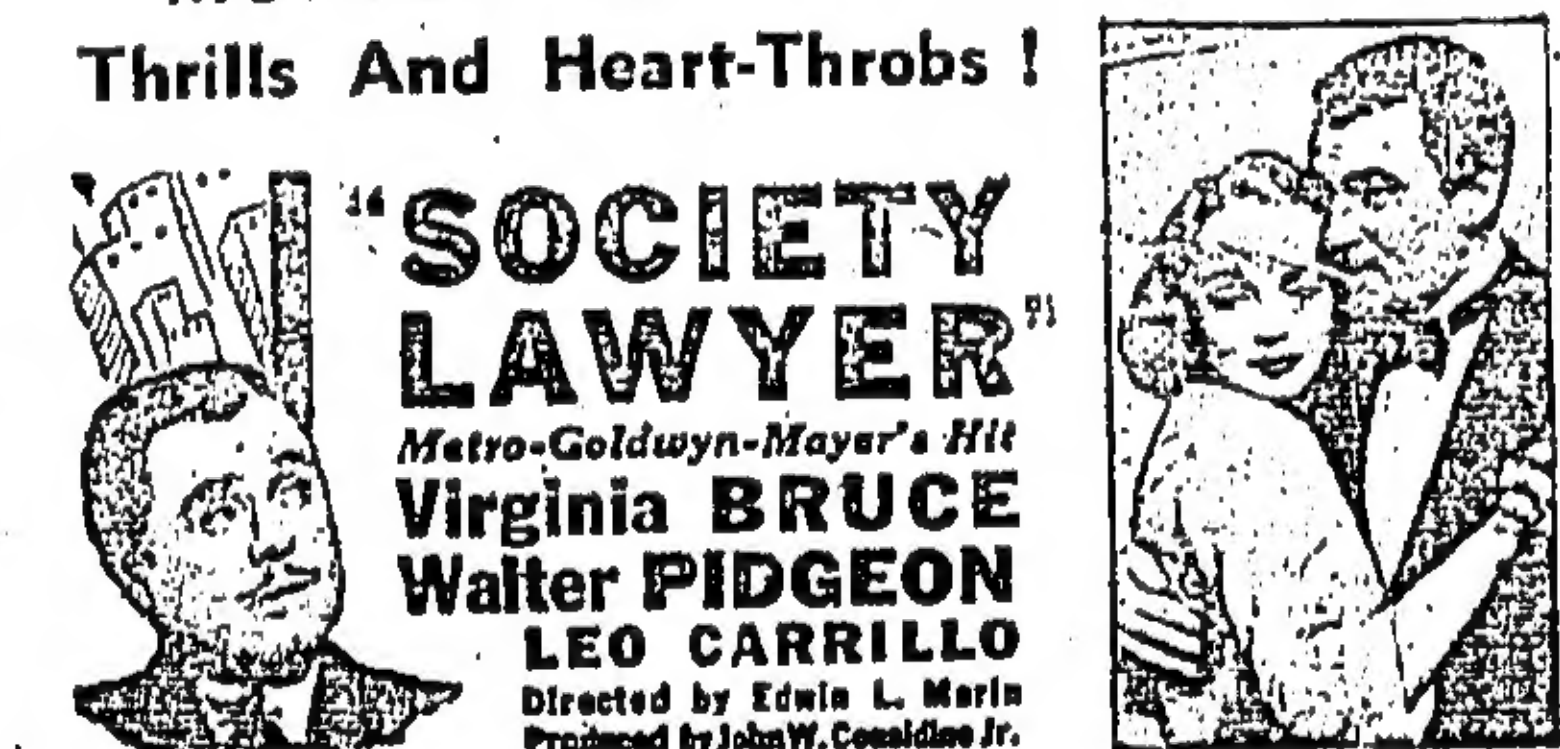
**HELSINGFORS, Dec. 1 (Reuter).**  
An unconfirmed report states that the Finnish Government has been presented with an ultimatum demanding the surrender of all Finland before 3 a.m. Moscow Time (10 a.m. H.K.T.). Unless the surrender is proclaimed, the ultimatum is said to threaten that Helsinki and every other big centre in the country will be razed to the ground.

The official Finnish report of the invasion states that the Finnish Army is stubbornly resisting at all points. It is claimed that the Reds have been repulsed at most points and where they have succeeded in gaining a footing they have been unable to consolidate.

Twelve Soviet bombing planes were shot down by A.A. fire during the raids on Helsinki.



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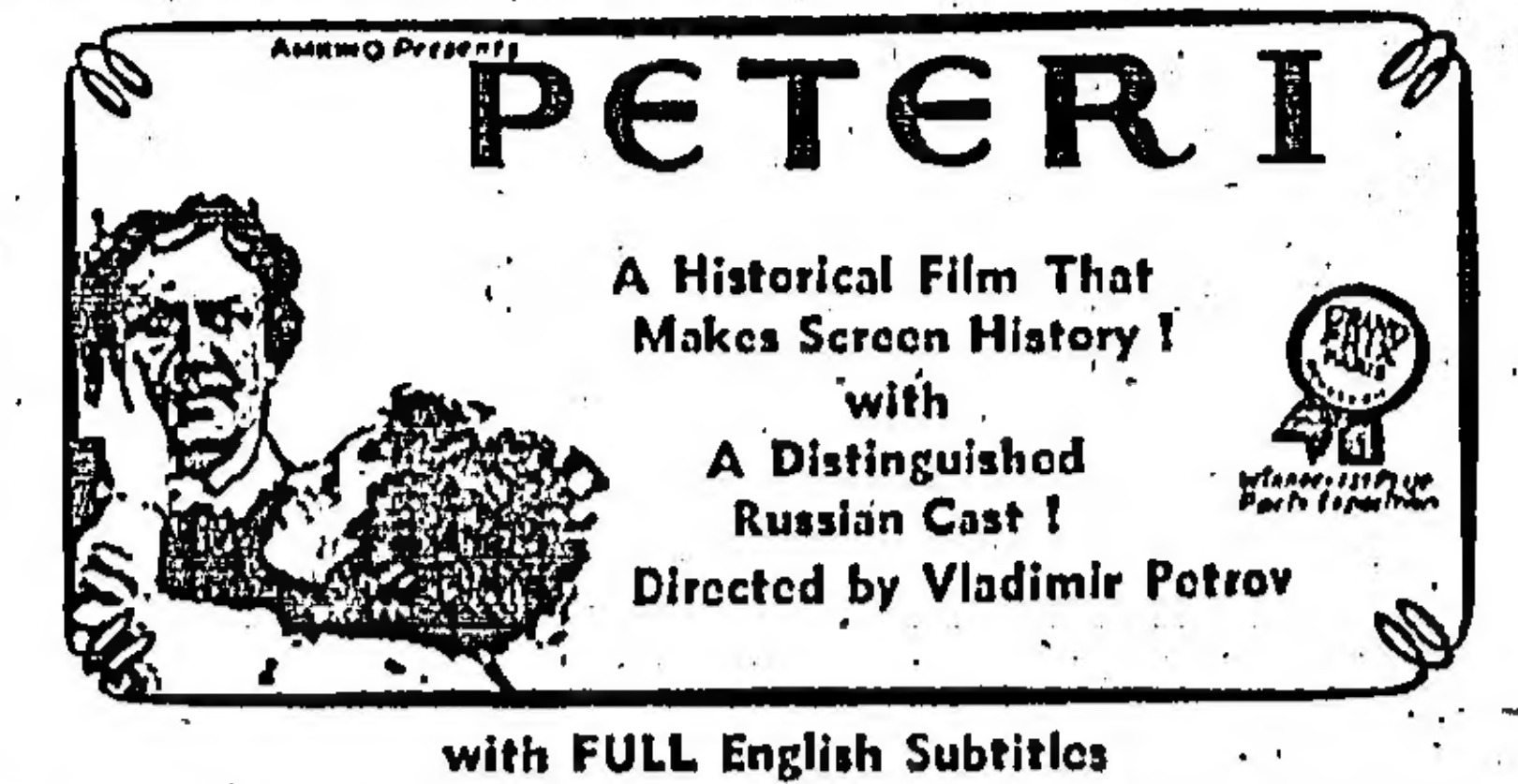


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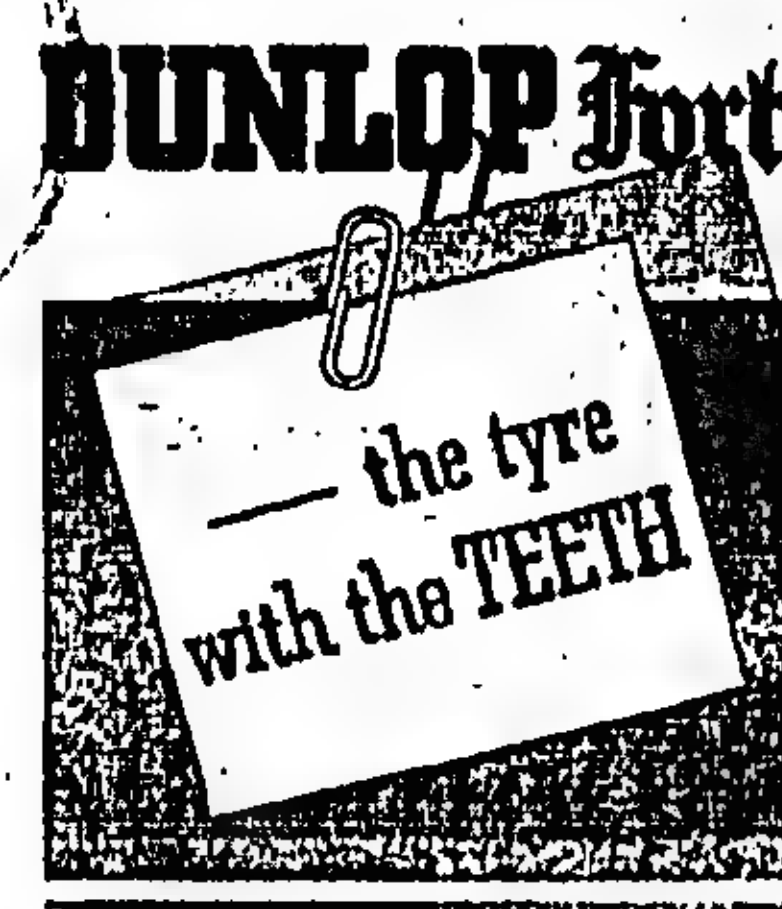
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## Russian Troops Fire on Hungarians: Sweden Fears Aggression, Calls More Men To Colours: Reds Want Naval Bases On Norwegian Arctic Coast

# DEMANDS ON NORWAY REPORTED: GERMAN "SELL-OUT" OF SWEDEN

## RUSSIAN ACT MAY START WORLD WAR

COPENHAGEN, Dec. 1 (UP).—A report received here this morning claims that Soviet Russia has demanded three Norwegian ports on the Arctic coast.

The report cannot at present be confirmed.

### NAVAL BASES WANTED

OSLO, Nov. 30 (Domei).—It is reported here that the Soviet Union has demanded that Norway permit the construction of three Soviet naval bases on the northern coast of Norway.

### SOVIETS FIRE ON HUNGARIANS

BUCHAREST, Nov. 30 (Domei).—Soviet troops have fired on Hungarian frontier guards.

A tense situation now prevails on the Soviet-Hungarian border. The border incident is attributed to a Soviet attempt to convey propaganda pamphlets into Hungary across the border through Ruthenia.

### UNHAPPY GERMANY

AMSTERDAM, Dec. 1 (Reuter).—The Russian invasion of Finland has made a tremendous but complicated impression in Germany.

The "Telegraaf's" Berlin correspondent was allowed by the German censor yesterday afternoon to telephone a message in which he says: "Concessions are now coming to light which Herr von Ribbentrop had to make in Moscow in order to obtain the support of the Soviets.

"The Baltic States were sacrificed by Germany and after raking in this booty, the Soviet made demands with regard to a free hand in Finland, Sweden and Norway.

## LATEST

### HELSINGFORS BOMBARDED

ROME, Dec. 1 (Reuter).—Soviet warships are stated to have bombarded Helsingfors this afternoon, but were immediately answered by coast batteries.

The train and bus service at Helsingfors is suspended.

### Armistice Parleys

LONDON, Dec. 1 (Reuter).—According to unofficial reports reaching London, the Finnish Government has resigned.

The Socialist Finance Minister, M. Tanner, is reported to have formed a new Government.

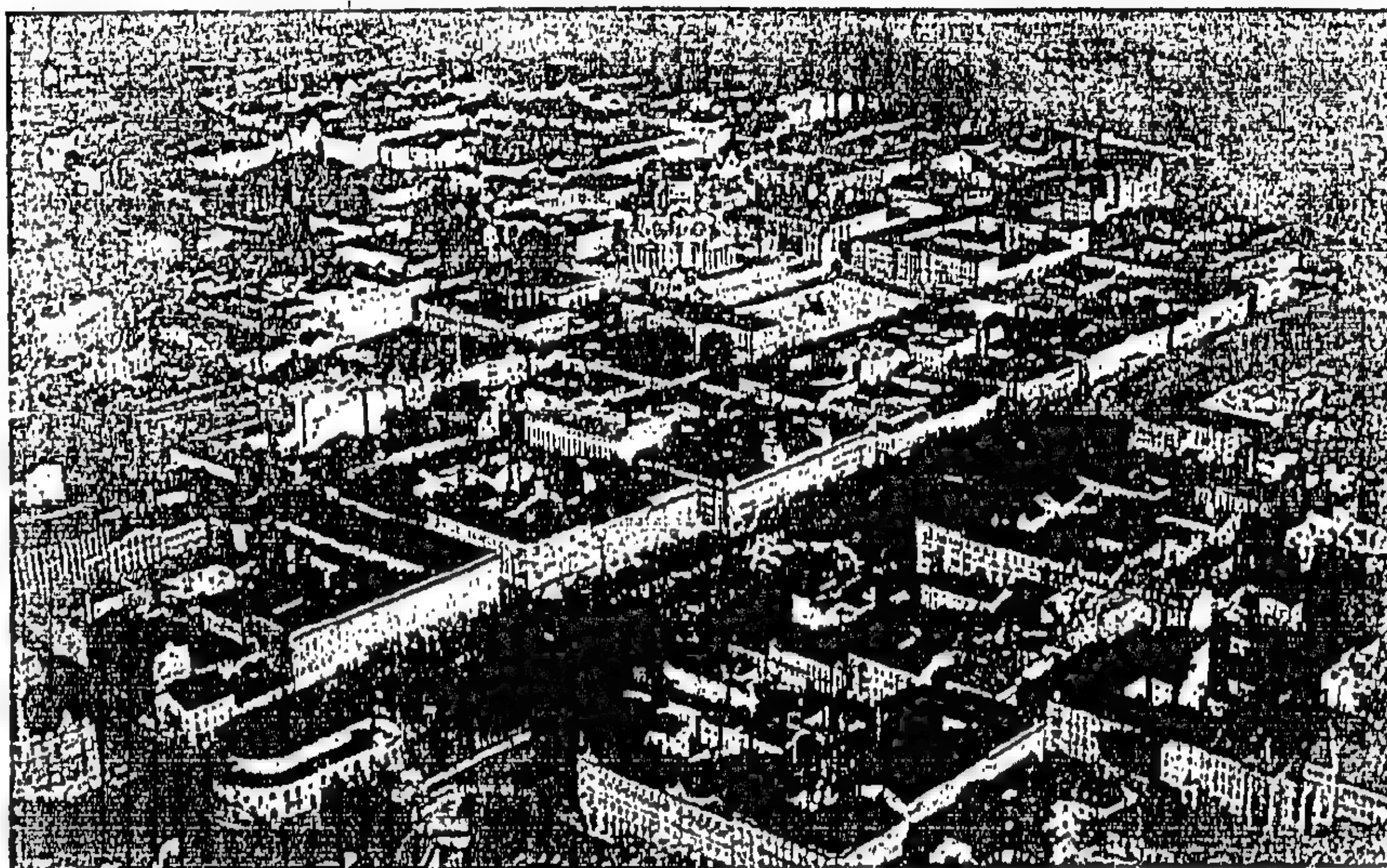
Armistice negotiations are stated to have begun.

The Finnish Legation in London said at 2 a.m. that it had no knowledge of the reports.

### Islands Seized

COPENHAGEN, Nov. 30 (UP).—The Red Fleet has occupied Hogland and other islands in the Gulf of Finland.

See Back Page For Further Late News



A BOLSHIEV AIRMEN'S VIEW OF HELSINGFORS

### WORLD REACTION

## RED AGGRESSION ANGERS AMERICA

WASHINGTON, Nov. 30 (Reuter).—No event since the war started has so profoundly shocked American opinion as the Soviet invasion of Finland.

## WON'T BE A WALK-OVER

### Sturdy Finns Are Great Fighters

LONDON, Nov. 30 (Reuter).—

"The Soviet invading armies will have numerical and material advantages over the Finnish defenders, but in a country of lakes and forests, defended by a force of 600,000 intelligent patriots, it will not be a walk-over for the attackers," says "Reuter's" military correspondent.

This correspondent points out that many Finnish reservists are battle-scarred veterans.

The Finns are robust and hardy athletes who are world-famous, and the Finns have been military-minded people for as many centuries as the British.

### Qualities Which U.S. Admir

"It is these qualities of physical fitness, combined with industry and the determination to defend their liberties which have gained the Finns so much prestige in the United States.

"The fact that Finland has paid its War Debt fully was of small importance compared with its manhood and ideals."

The correspondent adds that part of the establishment of Finland's Army is a corps of women similar to Britain's W.A.T.S. (Women's Auxiliary Territorial Service).

They act as cooks and nurses and wear a becoming uniform.

The correspondent concludes by saying: "Russia has proclaimed that the occupation of Finland is not her intention, but how otherwise could she impose her will upon such a virile people?"

### UNITED STATES

#### SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

WASHINGTON, Nov. 30 (UP).—Officials view the invasion of Finland gravely but make no comment on the suggestions of Senator Key Pittman and others for a re-examination of relations between the United States and the Soviet Union in view of the developments.

Mr. Cordell Hull, Secretary of State, declines to comment but indicated that no steps will be taken pending further official reports.

Senator William King of Utah urged severance of relations with Russia and hoped "that the United States would no longer grasp the bloody hand of Stalin."

There are indications that President Roosevelt will summon the legislative leaders of both parties for a White House conference on the foreign policy of the United States.

The invasion and air bombing of Finland has fulfilled Washington's worst fears.

President Roosevelt immediately returned from Warm Springs and conferred with Mr. Cordell Hull, the Secretary of State. It is learned that the Finnish Government signified the acceptance of Mr. Roosevelt's good offices, but the Soviets gave

PLEASE Turn To Page 5.

## Soviets To Master Whole Of Scandinavia?

LONDON, Nov. 30 (Reuter).—A prophecy that by next spring Russia will be in possession of the whole of Scandinavia is made by Herr von Rintelen, an Intelligence Officer of the German Naval Staff in the last war, speaking in London to-day.

He said he was at a loss to understand why the Finns should put up a resistance against something which could not be resisted.

There are about 500,000 troops concentrated on the northern frontiers to the east of Finland, and by next spring Russia will possess the Scandinavian countries, none of which is tied by alliance to any great Powers.

### "Army Will Fight To Last Man To Defend Nation"

## FINLAND RESISTS ALL ALONG BORDER

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

HELSINGFORS, Nov. 30 (Domei).—The first war communique issued by the Finnish High Command says that Finnish troops are putting up a stiff resistance against the invading Soviet forces along a 50-mile front in the Karelia district.

## FINLAND'S MAGINOT LINE

### Wonderful System Of Fortifications

LONDON, Nov. 30 (Reuter).—

Finland's main bulwark of defence against an invasion from the east is a remarkable Maginot Line called the Mannerheim Line, named after the country's famous Field Marshal.

Here nature has helped the Finn engineers to form a line of extraordinary strength.

Endless evergreen forests provide protection from the air. Barracks and training places are absolutely invisible.

### Natural Barriers

Large stretches of lakes and dangerous morasses save fortifying some areas at all.

The landscape is liberally strewn with huge granite blocks, forming anti-tank barriers.

Some areas are sealed with cunningly arranged systems of barbed wire, of which much is electrified. In addition the Finns have dug a net work of broad furrows.

Full advantages are taken of the peculiarities of the landscape. A series of emplacements and large fortifications have been erected.

### SURRENDER OF NATION DEMANDED

## RED ULTIMATUM TO HELSINGFORS

HELSINGFORS, Dec. 1 (Reuter).—An unconfirmed report states that the Finnish Government has been presented with an ultimatum demanding the surrender of all Finland before 3 a.m. Moscow Time (10 a.m. H.K.T.).

Unless the surrender is proclaimed, the ultimatum is said to threaten that Helsingfors and every other big centre in the country will be razed to the ground.

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"  
COPENHAGEN, Nov. 30 (Domei).—The Soviet Government has served an ultimatum on Finland demanding complete surrender by 3 a.m. Friday, according to a report from the Finnish capital.

If Finland respects the Soviet demand, the Soviet air forces will reduce Helsingfors and all other important cities and towns in Finland, to ashes, the Soviet note is said to have further notified.

## NAVAL BATTLE

### Finns Out-Gunned, But Gallant

HELSINGFORS, Dec. 1 (Reuter).—It is reported that the small Finnish Fleet, although hopelessly outgunned, has challenged the Soviet Fleet attacking Hogland.

A naval engagement is now believed to be in progress on the island.

Soviet marines are reported to have landed on Hogland in the face of withering fire, after the approaches had been subjected to naval shelling and heavy aerial bombing for hours without a moment's cessation.

### Soviet Attack Hango Island

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

STOCKHOLM, Nov. 30 (Domei).—A report from Helsingfors says that the Soviet fleet severely bombarded Hango Island at the gateway to the Gulf of Finland, and subsequently landed marines on the island.

Meanwhile, the Finnish fleet is reported to have left Helsingfors this morning to engage the Soviet fleet which is advancing on the Finnish capital from Hogland Island.

### Comparative Fleets

Judged by big Power standards, Finland has no fleet, and what navy she boasts cannot compare in equipment with that of Russia.

Finland has two coast defence ships, five submarines, four gunboats, 23 minelayers and minesweepers, and seven motor torpedo boats.

Russia boasts three battleships already in commission and three more projected.

She has an aircraft-carrier, and another in the making.

Her cruisers number eight, her destroyers and minelayers 26, and her submarines 134, with an additional 30 projected.

## CIVILIANS LEAVING

HELSINGFORS, Dec. 1 (Reuter).—All civilians are being evacuated from Helsingfors.

During raids, Red bombs struck U.S. Legation. None of inmates injured.

Another 500lb bomb exploded near Soviet Legation; many people in adjoining building killed.

All bomb victims thus far are civilians.

Red communique claims troops have advanced between five and ten miles into Finnish territory in the Karelian Isthmus.

### Legation Removed

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

HELSINGFORS, Dec. 1 (UP).—The U.S. Legation, which was struck by a bomb in one of yesterday's raids, has been removed to Grankulla, ten miles from the capital.

Legation officials have been instructed in the use of gas masks.



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## Market H.K. Stock

The following quotations were issued on the Hongkong Stock Market this morning:

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H.K. Bank	1,330 b.
H.K. Bank (Lon. Reg.)	282 n.
H.K. Bank (H.K. Reg.)	285 n.
Chartered	8 n.
Mercantile, A. & B.	28 1/2 n.
Mercantile, C. & E.	11 1/2 n.
East Asia	71 b.
INSURANCES	
Canton	205 sh.
Union	400 n.
China Underwriter	1 1/4 n.
H.K. Fire	100 n.
SHIPPING	
Douglases	70 b.
Steamships	12 n.
Indo-Chinese, P.S.	00 n.
Indo-Chinese, D.S.	30 n.
Shells (Boaters)	80 n.
Waterboats	8.10 n.
DOCKS ETC.	
Wharves	101 1/2 n.
Docks	102 1/2 n.
Provision	4.30 n.
Now Eng. Sh.	14.40 n.
Sh. Docks Sh.	204 n.
MINING	
Kedian s/-	18/- n.
Rauha s/-	10 n.
Venz. Gold	4 n.
H.K. Mines	4 cts. n.
LANDS	
Holids	4.50 b.
Lands	33 n.
Lands 4% Deb.	100 n.
Shai Lands Sh.	10.80 n.
Humphreys	7 1/2 n.
H.K. Realty	4.35 b.
Chinese E-tel	100 n.
UTILITIES	
Trams	15.80 b. & 25.
Pearl Trams (old)	7.50 b.
Peak Trams (new)	3.75 b.
Star Lines	62 1/2 b.
Ferries	22 1/2 b.
China Lights (old)	4.30 n.
China Lights (new)	4.70 n.
H.K. Electric	50 1/2 n.
Macao Electric	18 1/2 n.
Sandakan Lights	11 1/2 n.
Telephones (old)	22 b.
Telephones (new)	7.10 b.
Traction s/-	18/- n.
Traction (Frail)	18/0 n.
INDUSTRIALS	
Cold Macg. (Ord.)	Sh. \$14 n.
Cold Macg. (Pref.)	Sh. \$13 n.
Canton Ice	1 n.
Cements	14.90 n.
H.K. Rope	5 b.
STORES & C.	
Dairy Farms (old)	10 1/2 n.
Dairy Farms (new)	10 n.
Watsons	9.10 b.
Latic, Crawford	7 1/2 n.
Sincere	1.80 n.
Wing On (H.K.)	41 n.
Powell	1 n.
COTTON MILLS	
Ewo Sh.	24.30 n.
Shai Cotton Sh. ex. div.	101 n.
Zong Sing Sh.	42 n.
Wing On Textile Sh.	43 1/2 n.
MISC.	
H.K. Entertainments	6.15 b.
Constructions (old)	1.00 b.
Constructions (new)	1 n.
Vibro Piling	8 1/2 n.
Ch. Govt. 5% 1925	47 n.
H.K. Govt. 4% Loan	100 n.
H.K. Govt. 3 1/2% Loan	97 n.
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# BRITAIN IS MAKING SIX TIMES AS MANY SHELLS AS IN 1914-18 WAR

## DRUMMER BOY OBJECTOR

Desmond Tester, the 20-year-old film actor, who played the drummer boy in "The Drum," applied to a conscientious objectors' tribunal at Southwark recently for total exemption from military service.

Tester, who lives at Little Bookham, Surrey, said he felt that to entertain troops, either abroad or in home hospitals, would be building up their morale and helping them to return to fight. Tester said he was prepared to do farm work, and the tribunal placed him on condition that he found such work.

## U.S. Aid For Allies

### Greater Urge To Help Than In Last War

LONDON, Nov. 30 (Reuter).—American desire to help the Allies as much as possible is today even greater than it was in the last war, said Mr. Bertram Kruger, the representative of the American Society for looking after military and civilian casualties in Britain, in a broadcast from Daventry to-day. There is a growing feeling in America, he said, that the British Empire and France are fighting and making great sacrifices for those things that America holds most dear—democratic government, freedom of thought and liberty of conscience. The American Red Cross is doing as much as it can and large sums of money are being raised for its work. "We Want To Help Britain."

In addition to Canada's special position as a close friend and neighbour of the United States, many American forefathers came from the British Isles, and added Mr. Kruger, "we want to help Britain." This desire to help has found expression in the formation of the American Committee in New York to consolidate and centralise this feeling. No actual money will be sent out of the United States this time, but a fund will be devoted to hospital supplies for military and civilian casualties. This work is of no political significance, but, "is a spontaneous expression of a very sincere desire to help." The work will be expanded as matters grow and the demand grows. Hospital supplies come with the very good wishes of the people of the United States.

## Warships Take Refuge

### British Vessels In Norwegian Port

OSLO, Nov. 30 (Reuter).—The Norwegian naval authorities announce that two British warships and a damaged British submarine put in at the Norwegian coast near Stavanger, pleading stress of weather and damage. First a British cruiser arrived at 7 a.m., being followed two hours later by the other warship and the submarine. The Norwegian authorities sent planes and coastguards to inspect the British ships for damage. No Connection. LONDON, Nov. 30 (Reuter).—It is announced that there is no connection between the putting-in into Norway of two British warships and a submarine, and reports of the naval battle near Norway between warships and aeroplanes.

## Control Of China's Bristles Exports

CHUNGKING, Nov. 30 (Reuter).—It is officially announced that China's annual export of 28,000,000 worth of bristles is now placed under the control of the Central Trust.

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## FACTORIES' SWIFT TURN TO MUNITION WORK

TO-DAY in this humming town, with many distinguished French and neutral as well as British journalists, I was shown over one of the master munition works which is turning out shell cases faster than has ever been done before, says a correspondent.

This one factory alone—I cannot come nearer to it than to say it is neither in the North nor the South—is producing shell cases at the rate of one million a year. Before very long it will probably be working faster even than that. I was told that Britain could now produce munitions six times faster than at the peak period during the last war.

A short time ago this great factory was producing the implements of peace, but now it is vibrating solely in the manufacture of munitions.

Most of the work done here is the production of anti-aircraft shell cases, and most of the workers have been transferred on a scheme which was worked secretly long before the war from other industries. All over England shells are being made by textile factories and works which recently were solely engaged in the manufacture of locomotives, mining machinery and motor components.

There is even a small gas-works which has been turned into a workshop for producing the lighter type of anti-aircraft shells.

Men Only. In the factory we visited to-day no women are working as the work is too difficult for them. Many of the men I spoke to are the fathers and relations of those who will soon be firing the shells. They all seemed to be almost savagely intent on their jobs.

In one section of the workshop we saw great furnaces where the steel billets, after being cut to the exact length, are heated to a temperature of 1,500 degrees Fahrenheit. These billets then pass through a bewildering number of processes before they are finally turned out as the finished shell cases. The men are so skilful that the final product is exact to a millionth of an inch. After the cases are finished here they go to other factories to be filled and fitted with fuse caps.

Work For Deaf Mutes. One of the most interesting places in the great building was the shell-blasting room where one of the main processes—the cleaning and finishing of the inside of the shell cases—is carried out. Never in my life have I been in such a nerve-shattering din. The noise was incredible, and I wondered how the men could stand it. I learned that the men working here are deaf mutes who are perfectly happy. But for the fact they can see the wheels whirling they do not even know what an interior life is living in. The instructions to these men have naturally to be given in writing, but they are highly intelligent and very proud of the contribution they are making to the national effort.

## CORBALS HANDICAP A Very Even Struggle

THERE are only eight China ponies in the second section of the Corbals Handicap for "C" class riders, and the sprint is over the six furlongs course. Advancing Time, having brought back to this division will no doubt evoke much interest in the pari-mutuel department. It will be recalled that this summer, after having won two "D" class events, was promoted to "C" class, but the handicapper placed her in the first section where the lady did nothing. In this section Advancing Time has a tough proposition against her own sex namely, Laughing Girl, Salvage Master and Sunlight View. It seems that the owners have not been treating Laughing Girl with due respect, for the mare has not registered a win since the assumption, in fact her last three outings were always locked together with other contenders. She and Scenic View dead-heated for third place in the Austin Handicap, but in a subsequent outing Laughing Girl and Salvage Master could not be disjoined in the Connaught Handicap for second prize cake-money. At the last meeting the same three runners could not be separated for second position in the frame in the Shum Chun Handicap, and I wonder what is going to happen to-morrow? It was certainly a "hat-trick" for Laughing Girl. The inclusion of

## AULD REEKIE H'CAP An Easier Selection

THE penultimate event, the Auld Reekie Handicap for "C" class Australian ponies over a mile, has been selected as the second leg of the daily double. I do not think that it will be hard to pick the winner, for in my opinion Pumpernickel should provide the second leg with Stratherrick and Violet Queen following in the rear.

## FINAL EVENT Twenty-Five Acceptors

THE St. Andrew's Meeting will be terminated with a fine display of a big field in the Gallowgate Handicap (second section) for "D" class China steeds to be ridden by novices, and the scramble is from the 1 1/2 mile post. The handicapper has drafted 25 ponies to this section, and it is learned that practically all the mounts have already been booked. Arabian Cat, Geordie, Lancashire Chap, Portin, Redlum Star, Sunshin, Susie, Talkative and Tiny Tim should be in the limelight at the finish, but the baton will be held by Talkative.

## CAN THE B. B. C. SURVIVE

(Continued from Page 4.) mythical figure is the innest school-boy "humour" and does more harm than good. If things continue like this, the B.B.C. will find itself at the end of the war with only a fraction of its present income. There is nothing abroad to listen to there is still less at home. Nobody will bother to renew a licence, and the B.B.C. as we know it will quietly pack up. I give the B.B.C. life for the duration of this war and no longer, unless, once and for all, it gets to understand public taste. This war is its last chance.

## WHY DUCE DID NOT MARCH

PARIS. Light is shed on the present position of Italy by indications which have been received here of the reasons given to Herr Hitler for Italy's abstention from the Polish campaign during the visit of Count Ciano, Italian Foreign Minister, to Salzburg and Berchtesgaden in the second week of August. The reasons are understood to be:

1. It had always been a tenet of Fascist foreign policy that Poland should be independent.
2. The desire of the German Government for Italian military co-operation was in flat contradiction to the reserve expressed by Italy when she signed the Italo-German military pact—the pact of steel—that she should be allowed two or three years to complete her military preparations.
3. The promise made by Germany last year that in future Italy's claims should have priority was not being observed.

## They Tried The Lucky Dip



A fair helper at the St. John's Cathedral Fair deserts her stall to try her luck at the lucky dip.—Ming Yuen.

## Nazi Boast Scorned Realistic American Attitude

LONDON, Nov. 30 (Reuter).—The following special commentary was issued to-day: Mr. William Simms, Foreign Editor of the Scripps-Howard newspapers, emphasizing the absurdity of the boast made in Berlin newspapers that Germany is now master of the North Sea and the North Atlantic, pointed out yesterday that it would take the Allied and neutral shipping from the seas at the present rate of destruction—this claim not taking into account replacements.

## Foreign Holdings In U.S. Decline

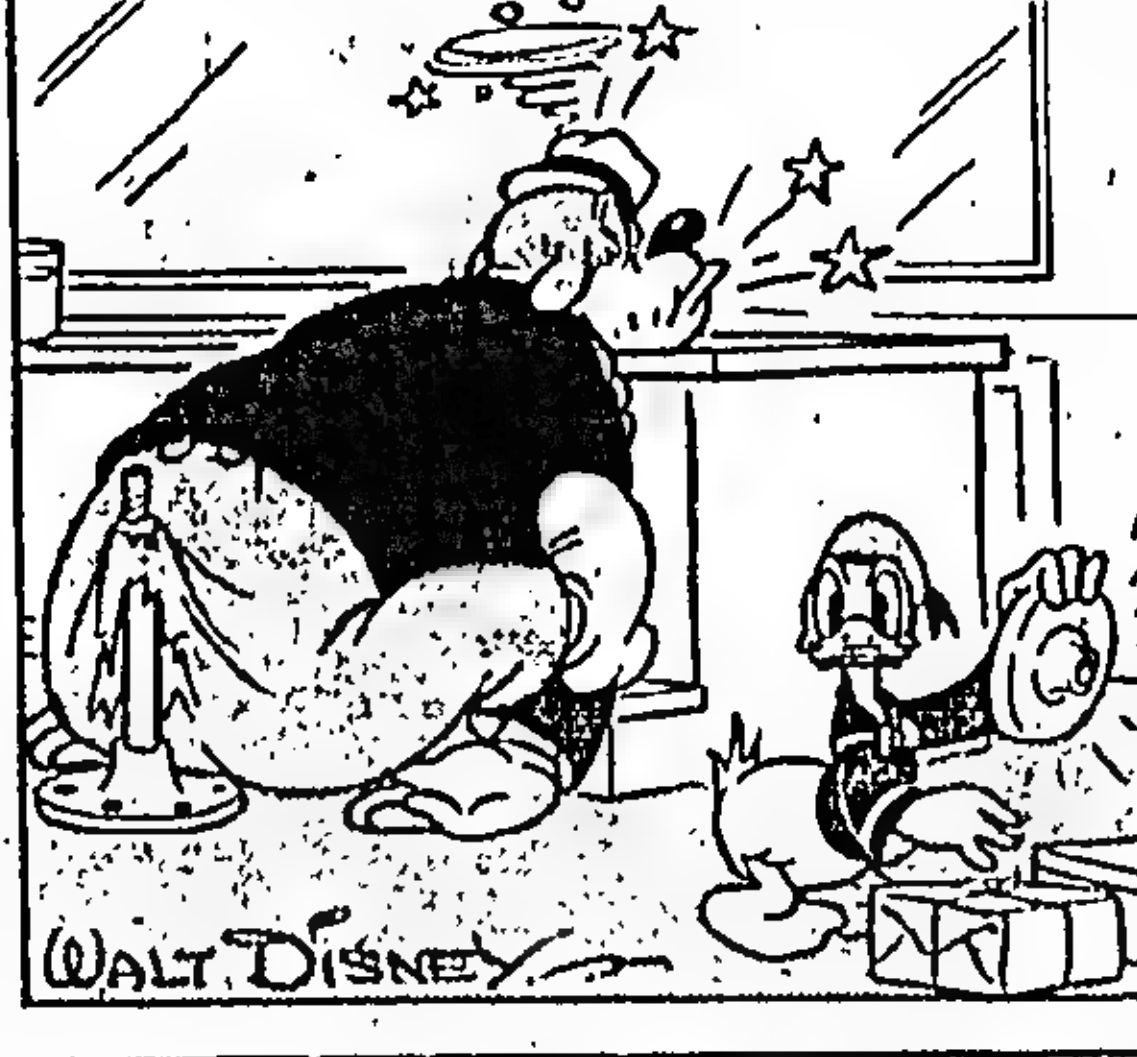
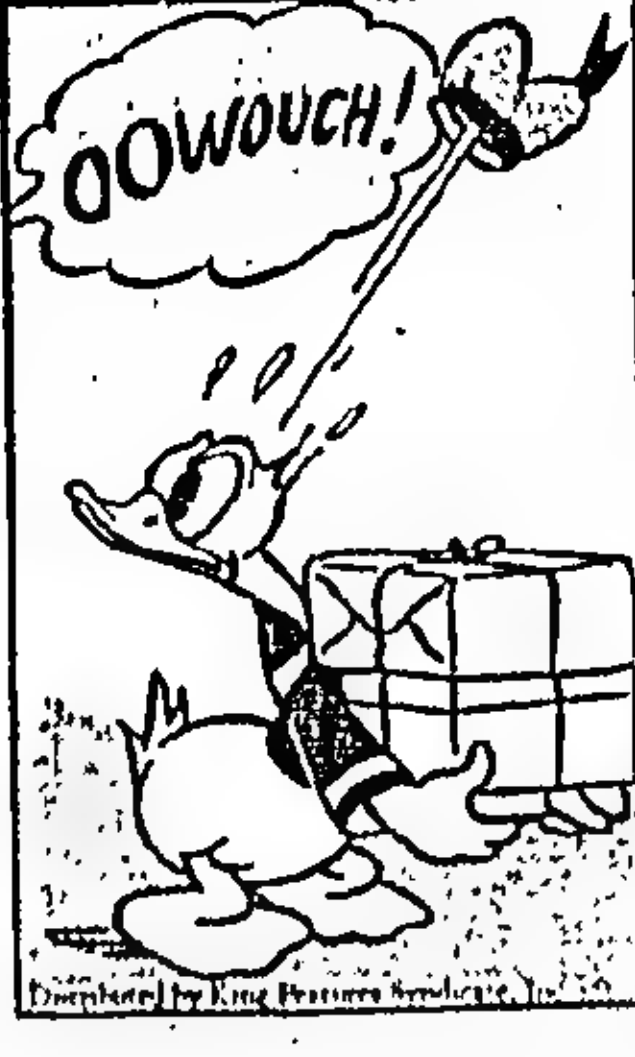
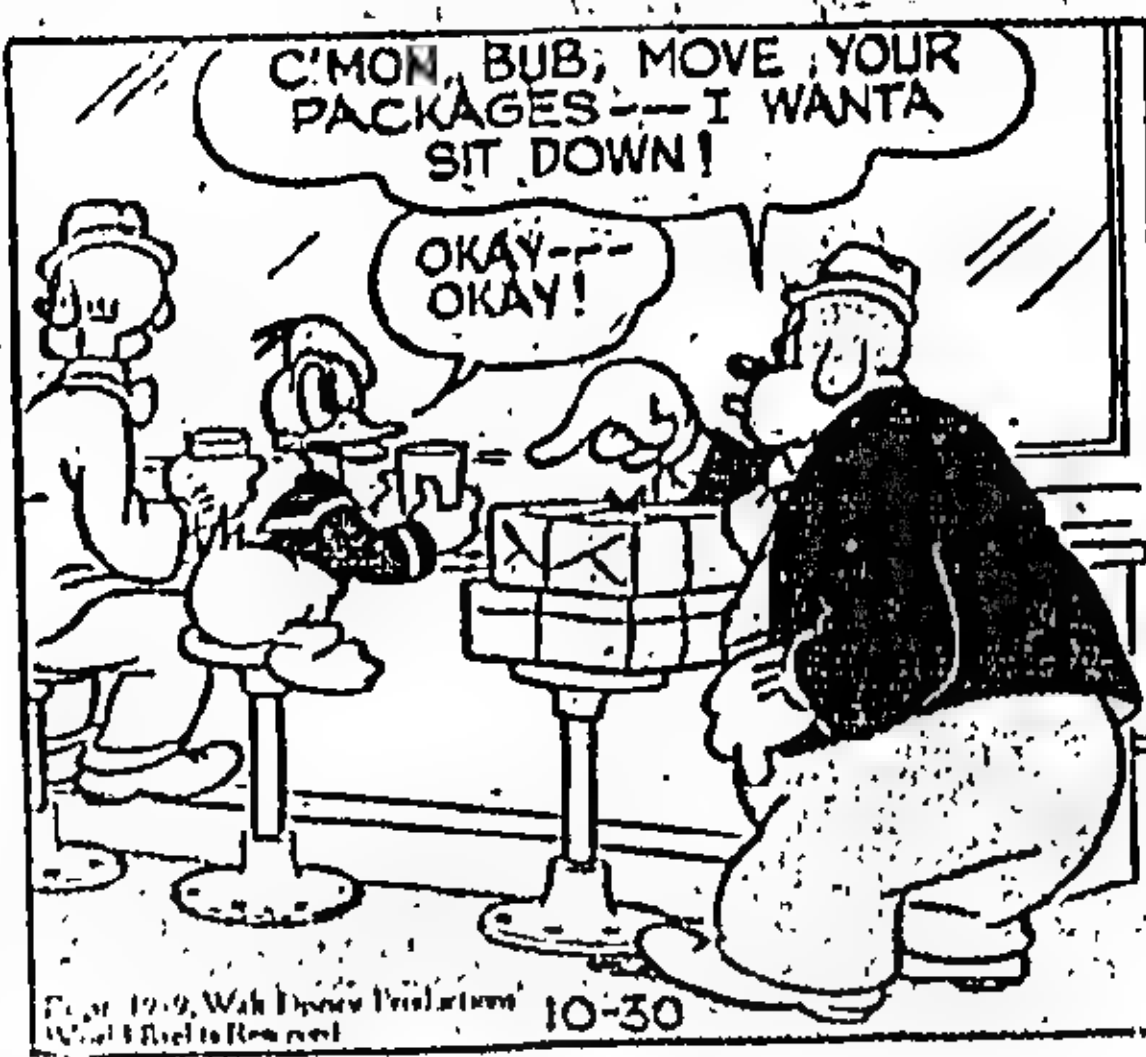
SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH" WASHINGTON, Nov. 30 (Reuter).—The Treasury reveals a world-wide reduction of holdings of American securities by \$10,540,000 during August, making a cumulative decrease of \$45,000,000 since January 1.

Of the August reduction, Britain was responsible for \$1,255,000, France \$1,254,000 and Germany \$993,000.

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### SPOTLIGHT ON GERMANY

#### HITLER LINES UP HIS LINE

Herr Hitler requested newspaper correspondents of neutral countries to make a tour of the Western Front, including the Siegfried Line, because, he said, according to the Berlin correspondent of the Amsterdam "Telegraaf," quoted by Reuters, he wanted to save unnecessary bloodshed.

The tour was to have been made so that the newspaper correspondents could "inform the world on the real state of this modern line of fortifications."

A high German officer, who accompanied the correspondents, told the "Telegraaf" correspondent that Hitler had ordered the tour to be made at once.

The Fuehrer, he said, knew how strong the line was because he himself had planned part of the fortifications. Hitler, he added, knew better than anyone else that an attempt to break through the line would result in hopeless bloodshed. Moreover, he was convinced that the strategic result would be negative to the enemy.

According to the German officer, rumours of defects in the Siegfried line were incorrect.

#### Front Line for Nobles

Proof is accumulating that the greatest care is being taken that aristocrats, monarchists, and all possible future enemies of the Nazi regime shall be placed in the front line where the danger is greatest.

Of four deaths on active service recorded in the "Voelkischer Beobachter," three are those of sons of noble families.

They are Karl Friedrich von Moltzen Freiherr zu Writtemberg und Penzlin, Gustav Freiherr von Wagner-Wohlbren, and Gustav Adolf Graf von der Schulenburg-Altenhausen, a relative of the German Ambassador in Moscow.

#### U-boat "Knights"

The "Illustrierter Beobachter" publishes highly imaginative drawings, with a description of the "Knights" conduct of German U-boat commanders, under the headline, "We Cleanse the Seas of Pirates."

#### Hitler, the Destroyer

A postcard photograph of Hitler, published in Berlin by Heinrich Hoffmann, Hitler's personal photographer and publisher, and issued with Hitler's express approval, contains the following quotation of Hitler's own words: "The National Socialist movement is therefore not the preserver of the countries of the past, but their liquidator in favour of the Reich of the future."

#### A Washing "Triumph"

The rationing of soap and washing powders, and of coal and other fuel, is so strict that the slightest relaxation of the complicated rules for obtaining a piece of crude washing soap is heralded by the Press as "a great improvement" in the lot of the German housewife.

The latest "triumph" of this kind is the announcement that 500 grammes—1 1/2 lbs.—of washing powder per month are to be allowed to mothers of children between two and eight years of age. Hitherto no extra soap was allowed for children over two years of age, so that the clothes of children at the "grubbiest age" could be cleaned only at the cost of the parents' own soap ration.

Profiteers are according to the German Official News Agency, busy in Germany. Some dealers are stated to have exploited the restrictions on the sale of soap and have been "severely punished."

#### Doom or Despair

A double page of photographs of defenceless Jews in Poland appears in the "Illustrierter Beobachter." The majority are 70 to 80 years old. They are described as "Hyenas of the battlefield," and the caption states that these tottering old men are "suspected of shooting at German soldiers." Other photographs show them being taken off to execution or a concentration camp.

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### Berlin Gets Too Hot For Nazi Leaders

## HITLER MAY REMOVE CAPITAL TO VIENNA

#### HONGKONG'S SMILING G.O.C.



BUDAPEST.—Hitler is seriously considering moving his capital to Vienna. Preparations for establishing the German Government there have already been ordered.

Berlin is getting too hot for the Nazi leaders.

R.A.F. pamphlets, dropped on the streets of the city, have proved that it is within easy bombing range if German raids on London demand a reprisal.

Vienna is 350 miles further from English airfields. Its citizens rely on British sentiment to ensure their comparative immunity from bombardment.

#### STRONGHOLD

All Austrians believe that the British would be reluctant to bomb the secret stronghold of Austria's freedom.

Buildings in Vienna which are suitable for use as German Government Offices are being evacuated.

Schoenbrunn Palace, where the Emperors of Austria lived and where Napoleon once stayed, is being prepared as a home for Hitler.

Every precaution is being enforced to keep these preparations secret from the Austrians for the present. Only Germans are employed on the work at Schoenbrunn.

Maj. Gen. A. E. Graesselt is known as Hongkong's "Smiling G.O.C." Typical photograph at left was taken earlier this week.—Ming Yuen.

## SON FOR WIDOW OF PIT VICTIM

TWELVE hours after her husband—one of 35 victims—lost his life in an explosion of fire damp at the Valleyfield Colliery, near Dunfermline, 25-year-old Mrs. Jean Ewing gave birth to a son.

The father, Duncan Ewing (27), had remained at home several nights, expecting the event. On the day before the explosion Mrs. Ewing persuaded him to go to work.

Thirty-three men were killed outright. Two others died after rescue, one on the way to hospital and another after admission. This last victim Thomas Kerr, learned shortly before he died that one of his sons was among the killed.

Kerr, although badly injured, had crawled through the fumes to telephone a warning to the surface.

#### No Respirators

The rescuers had to proceed without respirators or protection of any sort against gas, but they were able to recover several bodies.

Official rescue brigades descended wearing respirators shortly afterwards. Dr. William Reid, son of the general manager, went down with the first rescue party.

He said: "The explosion seemed to have shattered everything in the colliery."

"Canaries which we took down died from gas."

Adam Ferguson, who has worked 27 years in the colliery, said: "After the explosion every one of the 28 men in my section collapsed. It was terrible seeing them lying gasping for breath, unable to help each other."

David Anderson, a pump-man, told a reporter: "I was working at one of three pumps which I have to attend when the explosion occurred. I fought

my way back through gas and wreckage. "On my way I saw men lying near the pump. I was too weak to assist them, but shouted to them to get to the pump, where there was a draught of fresh air. "About 10 were able to do so, and this saved their lives. "Messages of sympathy with the bereaved families were sent by the King, the Prime Minister and Mr. Geoffrey Lloyd, Secretary for Mines.

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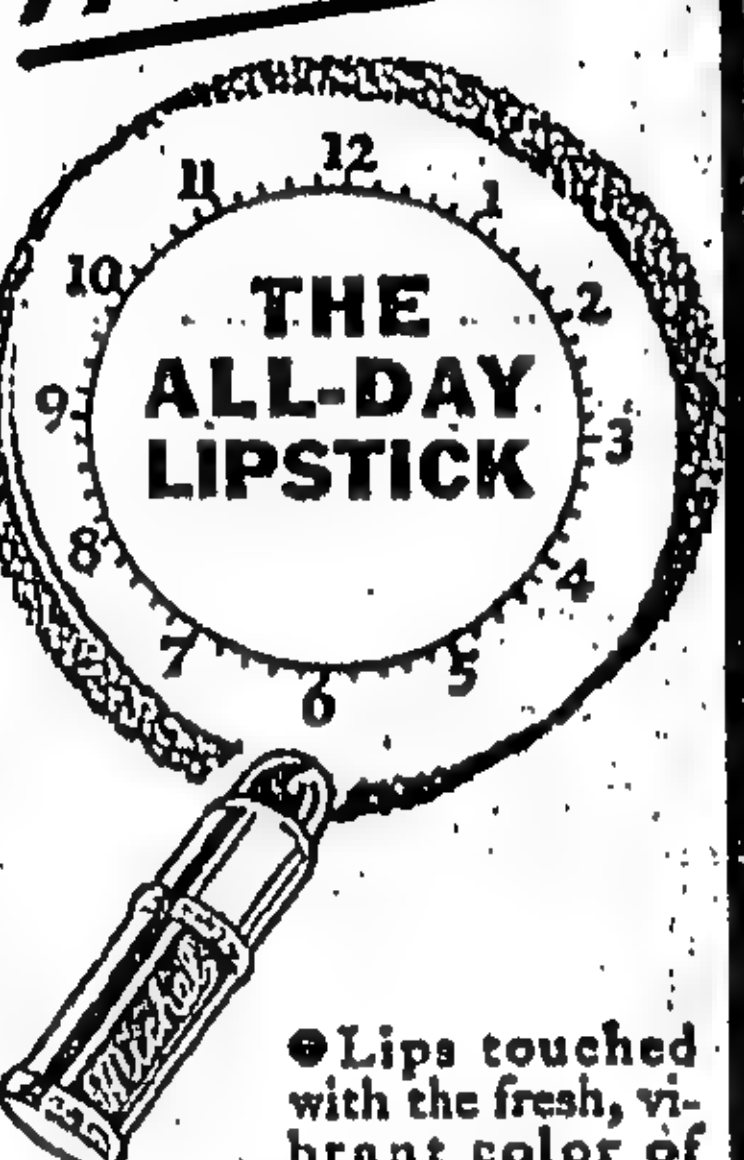
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#### Red Light For Hitler

IT would serve no useful purpose at this stage to inquire how it comes about that Europe now finds itself committed to a second edition of the Great War. Suffice it to say at the moment that those shallow observers who throw the blame on Hitler and Naziism completely overlook the terrible responsibility of those who allowed those baleful phenomena to arise.

In view of the assiduous propaganda already evident in some pseudo-high-brow quarters, however, it should be clearly stated that Hitlerism has not been due to the Versailles Peace Treaty, but, on the contrary, to the amazing failure to enforce its terms. All this talk of overthrowing Hitlerism is beside the point, and curiously paradoxical under the guise of democratic action.

Neither we nor anybody else have any moral or historical right to dictate to the German people, or anybody else, under what form of government they must choose to exist. Our right is strictly limited to ensuring that the one European community that has disturbed the peace of our continent for the past century shall never again be permitted to make itself an international nuisance. Some of the military pundits have been explaining how we are now encountering an entirely new kind of war. This assertion is based on the fact that in these days war is no longer confined to actual fighting between the armed forces of belligerent nations, but that it brings right into the arena both the economic and political factors.

Actually the only change between modern and past warfare, however, is that up-to-date equipment to a certain extent intensifies the latter factors as ponderable issues.

The economic and the political factors have always, since the bloodshot dawn of human antagonisms, played their part in conflicts between peoples. Siege warfare is as old as stone walls, and siege warfare is mainly economic and political in its impingement. In fact we may truly say that the more the dreary business of warfare changes, the more it remains the same. There is certainly nothing newer than Ancient Greece in an attempt to starve an enemy into submission, or even in trying to upset his morale by pamphlet propaganda.

But an economic siege can be terribly exhausting to a nation like Germany, and if the slow attrition of economic warfare does not suit Germany's masters, it will be up to them to try to break out of their cage.



B.B.C. BLACK-OUT

## The Russian Riddle Solved

BY  
W. N. EWER

EVERY morning brings me letters about Russia. Many are hot with indignation against Stalin. Many are not with indignation that anyone should doubt either his integrity or his supreme wisdom.

But most, I think, are puzzled. How is it that the peace-loving Soviet Union, with no territorial ambitions, pledged to the struggle against Nazism, pledged to aid all victims of aggression, should suddenly do this thing?

It does not seem to make sense. Not the most ingenious arguments of Western Communists can make it make sense. Clearly there is something wrong somewhere. Fact and theory jar nonsensically. The evidence clashes with assumptions.

Since facts are facts, the assumptions must be wrong. We have to abandon the theory that Stalin's policy has been based on opposition to Nazism, aggression and war.

What then has it been? Is there an answer to that which will fit with the facts, which will make sense instead of nonsense and mere melodramatic villainy out of this year's happenings?

I think there is. The answer is this:

That Josef Stalin (whatever he was in youth) is to-day an Imperialist. His desire is not for the welfare of the Soviet peoples, but for the power, the aggrandisement, the expansion of the State over which he rules as Autocrat.

Look back and see how the theme of power has for some years run through the speech of the men around him. As the "old Bolsheviks" have passed, the new Bolsheviks have changed its language, its manners, its mode of thought; like Jacobinism turning into Bonapartism.

Stalin's hero—an official hero of the new Bolsheviks—is Peter the Great: the Tsar who began Russia's expansion westward, subdued the Ukraine and conquered the Baltic States.

For Stalin, disciple of Lenin, the Great rather than of Lenin, the recovery of Russia's lost provinces has been an increasing purpose.

Little enough was said about it: for it was politic not to reveal such ambitions while there was no chance of fulfilling them, and a possibility that the revolution might unite Europe in opposition to them.

Last September came the first

frontal attacking. The Maginot Line will welcome such efforts with a terrible ovation. The Nazi theory of Blitzkrieg condemns them to face that music, or endure the economic and political hazards of a long-drawn war. If they think of trying air frightfulness as a last desperate remedy, well, while their efforts must be divided between two objectives—Paris and London—the Franco-British bombers will be concentrating on Berlin.

Hitlerism already has its back to the wall—and Germany itself may yet supply the firing squads.

unwilling to pay the price: for the meaning of these demands was only, too clear. And on these crucial points the negotiations had deadlocked.

That same price—recognition of Russia's "sphere of influence" in the Baltic States, agreement to her occupation of Eastern Poland in the event of war—Germany was ready to pay for Soviet neutrality and Soviet friendship.

The bargain was struck. The negotiation with Britain and France was broken off. The pact with Germany was signed.

I do not think Stalin realised that this meant war. I think he expected a "second Munich," the abandonment of Poland by the Western Powers, and a "peaceful settlement" in which the Soviet Union would quietly take its share—as Hungary had taken its share of Czechoslovakia.

I do not think he expected either war or the swift military collapse of Poland.

At the last moment he had to move very quickly for fear lest his new ally might double-cross him. I suspect that there is a certain anxiety in the Kremlin at the way in which things have developed.

But that is another story. The point I want to put to my puzzled correspondents is this:

If you think of Stalin as a new Peter the Great whose guiding purpose is to restore to Russia the territory she lost after the Revolution, then all his actions make sense. The whole thing becomes understandable.

But if you reject this explanation (and there is much subsidiary evidence for it which would take too long to expound) then you must find another one which will fit the facts and not land you in contradictions and absurdities.

#### GRIN AND BEAR IT By Lichty



"—and lately, Doc, every time I do this I get sharp pains in the joints!"

## Can The B. B. C. SURVIVE

By SPIKE HUGHES

WHEN questions are asked in Parliament, not about B.B.C. policy, but about B.B.C. programmes, then I ask myself: Can the Corporation survive the war?

So long as the war continues the B.B.C. will continue to exist, of course, as an instrument of national information and propaganda. But when the war ends the B.B.C. will have served its purpose in this capacity, and I am very doubtful whether anybody will have much use for it then.

For years the B.B.C. failed to court the theatre and the film industry. It adopted a high-hat attitude instead of making every effort to co-operate, maturing that radio publicity more than made up for low fees.

If the B.B.C. had behaved better towards the other two branches of the entertainment business, the outbreak of war would have found the theatre and the film offering everything they had to broadcast.

For a week there were no cinemas open. The B.B.C. could have given the people the best Ersatz for the real thing that has yet been invented: the radio version of films.

In its repertoire the B.B.C. Variety Department has "Top Hat," "Alexander's Ragtime Band," "Congress Dances," "Sunnyside Up," "Forty Second Street," "Shall We Dance?" and "Gold Diggers of 1935"—enough to broadcast one every other day for a fortnight.

But the man who produces and adapts these shows is sitting at the B.B.C. in London twiddling his thumbs.

As long ago as last April the B.B.C. started to form a shadow repertory company for war-time broadcasting. Hitherto it has been the privilege of the critic to complain of the eliquishness of the B.B.C., and one was reproved by listeners for writing about purely internal matters.

Now these internal matters have come out into the open. The public has noticed that the repertory company has all the appearance of having been not so much engaged as "invited" to join the happy B.B.C. family party "somewhere in England."

Apart from suggesting that every regular broadcaster could have been cross-examined months ago, I suppose that is why many unemployed and not-yet-approved artists are now able to sit at home and hear their records being broadcast while they themselves are barred.

There is every good reason for the part-evacuation of the B.B.C., but that is no reason for closing Broadcasting House, with its deep basement studios and gas-proof doors, to those artists who were unlucky enough not to be invited to join the repertory company.

"If soldiers at the front can run the risk of being bombed," said one artist to me yesterday, "then why should we not for special protection?"

Meanwhile, I have learned the following about the B.B.C.'s wartime manners:

A concern, which in peace-time puts out sponsored programmes, offered it the use of its recorded transmissions of all-star programmes. This concern has not yet received a reply.

A well-known producer has been sent back to London, his production this week taken over by a junior. The senior producer is now in "C" category—at liberty to find another job if he can.

Sandy Macpherson, not long ago one of the most popular of all broadcasters, admits to me that he now receives abusive letters because he has to broadcast so much.

The entertainment side of the Corporation is so out of touch with public feeling that we are given memories of 1914, and jokes about Hitler. This attempt to build up Hitler as a PLEASE Turn To Page 2.

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# RED INVASION BY LAND, SEA, AIR

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

**HELSINGFORS, NOV. 30 (UP).—SOVIET-RUSSIA HAS WON, AT LEAST HER DIPLOMATIC WAR, AGAINST FINLAND. THE FINNISH GOVERNMENT RESIGNED TO-DAY IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE ORIGINAL DEMANDS MADE BY THE SOVIETS.**

**The Russians insisted upon the resignation of the Finnish Foreign Minister, Mr. Erkkö, and the Commander-in-Chief of the Finnish forces, Field-Marshal K. G. Mannerheim. RESIGNATION FOLLOWS INVASION**

The Finnish Government's resignation succeeded a territorial invasion by the Soviets in which troops and aircraft participated.

Russia to-day invaded Finland by land, sea and air, and rained death on Helsingfors, Viborg and half a dozen other cities.

## CITY DAZED BY RAIDS

Red planes roared through the clouded skies throughout the day and rained thermite bombs, (aerial torpedoes which are designed to penetrate buildings and are sometimes incendiary) which dazed Helsingfors, destroyed public buildings and apartment houses and started many fires.

At least three suburban homes in Viborg were set afire.

## DEATH ROLL OF 200

It is unofficially estimated that the dead will run as high as 200 and many more were wounded. At nightfall the rescuers were searching the wreckage for dead or wounded.

The Finnish reply to the undeclared war was roaring aircraft which brought down one and perhaps two of the raiders in the frontier areas and the declaration that a state of war against Russia exists.

## PEOPLE CAUGHT UNAWARES

The raid on Helsingfors caught the mid-afternoon crowds on the streets in the middle of the city where the people were apparently stupefied and many of them stood and gaped into the sky instead of seeking shelter. Bombs also fell in the railway station, in the harbour and at the airport.

Hotel lobbies and travel bureaux are thronged with foreigners who are seeking to leave the country.

## Ten Machines in Attack

**HELSINGFORS, Nov. 30 (Reuter).—The city was bombed this afternoon by ten machines.**

Many houses were in flames.

The bombers came over in groups of two and three.

A bomb fell near the railway station, and windows over a wide area were smashed.

Incendiary bombs were dropped over a wide area. Six houses were set on fire at Fredericksgratan and Kalevagratan.

The Technical High School was set alight and an air raid warning was still in progress until the late afternoon.

From the centre of the city, about a score of bombs were counted and a big fire, from which dense clouds of smoke arose, was seen in the northern district of Helsingfors.

No State of War Declared

**WASHINGTON, Nov. 30 (Reuter).—The Finnish Minister, M. Protopopov, in a statement, denied that Finland has declared war on Russia.**

He said Finland had declared a state of siege.

M. Protopopov later had a conference with Mr. Cordell Hull.

Mannerheim Is C-in-C

**HELSINGFORS, Nov. 30 (Reuter).—Field-Marshal Mannerheim, Finland's "Grand Old Man," has been appointed Commander-in-Chief of the Finnish Forces.**

Aping Hitler Again

**LONDON, Nov. 30 (Reuter).—There is reason to believe that Moscow delayed transmission of the Finnish reply to the Soviet Note so that the Soviet Government would not be embarrassed in its pursuance of its pre-arranged aggression.**

It is understood that the Finnish reply suggested an enquiry by a frontier commission, and an offer to negotiate concerning the withdrawal of Finnish troops as demanded by Moscow.

Sheer Ruthlessness

**LONDON, Nov. 30 (Reuter).—Since early this morning the Soviet Army, Navy and Air Forces have been attacking Finland with sheer ruthlessness.**

They have attacked on land in three main forces, while the air force bombed towns and cities all day long.

The Russian Baltic Fleet, which left Kronstadt yesterday, has attacked Hogland and other islands, which formed the subject of the original Soviet demands.

One of the worst air-raids was on Helsingfors, which was bombed from early morning until 2 p.m.

Soviet planes flew over the city, but only dropped bombs on the airport.

At 2 p.m. the "All Clear" was sounded and the people, who had been sitting quietly in the shelters, then came out.

Shops re-opened and the buses and trams started to move again.

No Attempt At Accuracy

**The Soviet planes started to bomb the Finnish capital in earnest.**



Flags indicate ports and islands where Russia has already obtained concessions. The Soviet Baltic Fleet, already reported occupied, are shown on the gulf of Finland.

They flew high and dropped their deadly missiles without any attempt at accuracy.

A correspondent who was telephoning at the time the raid started reported that he had already counted a dozen bombs from where he was sitting.

Two of them were large ones and broke the windows of houses within a radius of half a mile.

There were also incendiary bombs and several buildings caught fire.

It is quite impossible at present to give any estimate of the number of casualties.

The people, however, remained calm and, where possible, returned to their shelters.

Viborg Attacked

Viborg was also attacked and incendiary bombs started several fires.

There were also attacks all the way from Helsingfors to Viborg, while coast towns and villages were also shelled, either from naval batteries at Kronstadt or from warships.

Hogland Occupied

According to one report, the Soviet Fleet has already occupied Hogland.

The land attack was in three main bodies.

The first body attacked along the Arctic Coast and the Soviets said, has occupied the whole of the Ribachi Peninsula, part of which belongs to Finland.

It is on this peninsula that Finland has its only Arctic port that is ice-free all the year round.

The Soviets have coveted this port.

Another attack was on the eastern frontier. There was a great deal of artillery fire, which was returned by the Finns, who later withdrew so that the Soviets found themselves confronted with a No Man's Land.

The third attack was up the Karelian Isthmus, north of Leningrad. The Isthmus is only about 40 miles

## FINLAND RESISTS ALL ALONG BORDER

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the Karelian Isthmus. Red artillery is pounding Suolajarvi and Kivona.

## Northern Centres Taken

**HELSINGFORS, Dec. 1 (UP).—**

Soviet troops are reported to have partially occupied two points in the north.

Only meagre details of the situation on the frontier are available, due to disrupted communications.

## Red Advance Checked

**SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"—**

**HELSINGFORS, Dec. 1 (Reuter).—**

The Red armies have swept through Rybach Peninsula in the extreme north of Finland, but they have made little progress in Karelian Isthmus, where their advance has been limited to about five miles, despite the employment of mechanized units, advancing under cover of heavy fire.

## Soviets Complete Occupation

**SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"—**

**COPENHAGEN, Nov. 30 (Dome).—**

A dispatch from Helsingfors says that Soviet forces to-day have completely captured the Ribachi Peninsula, facing the Arctic Ocean.

Soviet aircraft flying in formation twice bombed Viborg and Kotka, important towns on the southern coast of Finland.

## Brave Resistance

**STOCKHOLM, Dec. 1 (Reuter).—**

It is reported here that Soviet troops have landed on the island of Hangö, the "Baltic Gibraltar," following a bombardment from the air, though this is not confirmed.

The Finns are stated to be resisting bravely on the Karelian Isthmus, which is being attacked by land and sea.

## Reds Advancing

**ROME, Nov. 30 (Reuter).—**

The Soviet forces who crossed the Finnish frontier are now rapidly advancing towards the Finnish Maginat Line, 20 miles from the border, according to a message from Helsingfors.

They are encountering some resistance.

It is reported that the hospital at Enso was destroyed during a Soviet bombing raid.

wide. Here the Soviets had the support of naval batteries.

During the early flights over Helsingfors, Soviet fighters demanded the overthrow of the Finnish Government.

## Liberators Must Go

"Mannerheim and Cajander must go!" said leaflets. "After which peace will come."

M. Cajander is the Finnish President, while Field Marshal Mannerheim to-day took over the supreme command of Finland's forces.

He is regarded as the liberator of Finland, for he repulsed the Bolsheviks 20 years ago.

Both men enjoy great popularity.

## Three Raids On Capital

**SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"—**

**HELSINGFORS, Nov. 30 (Dome).—**

Soviet bombers flying in formation raided Helsingfors three times. Scores of bombs were dropped into the centre of the city.

During the third raid in the afternoon, scores of incendiary bombs were dropped by Soviet planes and fires started at several places in the city.

Unofficial estimates by Government circles put the casualties caused by Soviet bombardment at over 200. Numerous private houses have been demolished.

It is also reported that Soviet troops landed on Selkari Island in the Gulf of Finland, while units of the Soviet Baltic Sea Fleet have started an offensive on Helsingfors.

Soviet warships were reported to have already passed off Hogland Island.

Soviet bombers dropped incendiary bombs on Enso, the centre of the industrial zone in southern Finland, several buildings, including a hospital, have been destroyed.

Viborg was severely shelled from the sea.

## Finn Forces Isolated

Soviet forces also started invading into Finland from the north, near the Ribachi Peninsula facing the Arctic Ocean.

The Finnish troops stationed in the peninsula are reported to have been isolated from their main force.

The Soviet attacks north of Lake Ladoga were increasing in violence. The Soviet action in this area is understood to aim at cutting off Suolajarvi, strategically important panhandle into Soviet territory.

Latest field dispatches state that the Soviet forces invading from the Ribachi Peninsula have already captured important strategic positions in the area and have advanced to the immediate vicinity of the Norwegian border.

## Five Raids On City

**HELSINGFORS, Dec. 1 (Reuter).—**

Forty persons, mostly women and children, were killed in the fourth air raid on Helsingfors, which occurred at 7 p.m.

In the four raids, 250 people have been killed or wounded. Eleven Soviet planes have been shot down.

The fifth raid came at 9 p.m., the Soviet bombers being directed to their objective by the great red glow of the burning city.

Foreign correspondents report that, despite the violence of the raids and the fact that the first bombs were dropped only one minute after the alarm, the number of civilian population has been magnificent.

There has at no time been any sign of panic.

## Border Towns Bombed

**SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"—**

**OSLO, Nov. 30 (Dome).—**

A report from the northern border says that a flight of seven Soviet bombers bombed Pechama and Lyyhamari, the two towns at the northern tip of Finland, this afternoon and caused big fires in the two places.

## RED AGGRESSION ANGERS AMERICA

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intimation that they would reject the offer.

Soon after midnight, urgent cables began pouring into the State Department from diplomats at Moscow, Helsingfors and elsewhere in the Baltic states, all stressing the gravity of the situation. Before day break, despatches confirming the most pessimistic predictions arrived relating details of the invasion.

The press in the United States sensationally played up the invasion in extra editions with screaming headlines which were reminiscent of the first days of the war. Editorials and cartoons continued along the lines taken since the Russo-Finnish crisis, hotly criticising Moscow and recalling the fable of the wolf's accusation against the sheep.

## ITALY

**ROME, Nov. 30 (Reuter).—**

The tragic development of the Soviet-Finnish tension has aroused a wave of indignation throughout the civilized world, states the "Despatch" which, after making a strong attack against the Soviet attitude to her northern neighbour, adds:

"The fate of the whole of Northern Europe is largely bound up with that of Finland."

## GERMANY

**SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"—**

**BERLIN, Nov. 30 (Dome).—**

The German Government expresses serious concern at the Soviet invasion of Finland.

Germany can sympathise with Soviet Russia in the latter's attempts to seek the security of the two naval bases at Leningrad and Kronstadt but Germany will be obliged to remain an onlooker against the actual conflict between Finland and Russia," official circles said.

## SOUTH AMERICA

**SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"—**

**BOGOTA, Nov. 30 (UP).—**

It is authoritatively stated that Colombia is preparing a protest to Moscow against the invasion of Finland and may suggest a joint statement by all South American Republics.

## JAPAN

**TOKYO, December 1 (Dome).—**

In a lengthy editorial to-day, the "Nichi Nichi Shinbun" calls the Soviet demands on Finland as unreasonable and as taking advantage of the present European turmoil.

Recalling that the Soviet Government under Lenin was first to recognize Finland in 1917 when it became independent, and that the Soviet Union herself proposed the conclusion of the Soviet-Finnish non-aggression pact, the paper stresses that Finland wishes to maintain friendly relations with the Soviet Union and has committed no act which might threaten Soviet Russia, nor indeed has the power to do so.

Commenting from the viewpoint of a third nation, the journal declares that the reported Soviet attacks upon Finland's territory make it clear that the policy of the Soviet Union, which hitherto has been upholding anti-imperialism as the national policy and proudly naming herself as the originator of the non-aggression pact, in "nearby imperialism" is out-doing the former Russian regime.

In striving to extend her influence towards the Baltic, taking advantage of the present chaotic situation in Europe, the Soviet aims to eliminate a direct threat from Germany as well as the indirect threat from Great Britain and France, the journal considers; adding that conversely the Soviet Union and the Baltic may threaten Germany, although at present the latter country is unable to do anything in this connection as its hands are already full in the fight against Great Britain and France.

Predicting that the Soviet advance towards the Baltic is likely to become a subject of a future Soviet-German dispute, the "Nichi Nichi" observe that even if the Soviet demands are realised by force the country's safety will be in no way increased, nor will her prestige be enhanced.

The reported attacks by the Soviet upon Finland territory, following the Soviet's abrogation of the non-aggression pact, are being carried out in the same way as was Germany's recent campaign against Poland.

"In such a situation, all must feel sympathy for Finland," the paper says.

Concluding, the journal warns that Soviet Russia, whose foreign policy has been professedly based upon non-aggression pacts with neighbouring countries, has now decided to accomplish her purpose by hook or by crook. The Soviet's attitude towards Finland should constitute a valuable lesson for Japan, which also has Soviet Russia as a neighbour with whom special relations are maintained.

## BRITAIN

**LONDON, Nov. 30 (Reuter).—**

Although to-day's leading articles in the British Press were written before the Soviet invasion of Finland, most papers considered the invasion inevitable and bitterly condemned the Soviet aggression.

The "Times" says that the Soviet excuses are even more grotesque than those of the Nazis before Germany invaded Poland.

No more perfunctory excuse could have been made than to suggest that the attack of a small country on all whose interests were based on peace and neutrality, could threaten a nation of 180,000,000 people.

## Brutal Doctrine

The "Daily Telegraph" points out that the alleged threat to Leningrad was no greater to-day than it was in 1932 when Soviet Russia signed a Non-Aggression Pact with Finland, which she has now denounced.

The Labour paper, "Daily Herald," says that Finland is a highly civilized and democratic country. Russia's

## Golf Starting Times For Fanling

The following golf starting times for Fanling have been arranged by the Royal Hongkong Golf Club for Sunday:

## OLD COURSE

8.15 A. K. Mackenzie, D. J. Gilmore.

8.20 D. S. Edwards, D. S. Robb.

8.25 T. A. Francis, G. C. Worrall.

8.30 A. E. Lissaman, J. T. Smith.

8.35 F. D. Hunter, A. McKellar.

8.40 Col. Rose, G. M. Park.

8.45 W. W. C. Shewan, L. R. Andrews.

8.50 Surg. Cdr. Nicholson, R. Young.

8.55 J. H. Mundy, J. W. Clarke.

9.00 P. E. Annis, Comdr. Murray.

9.05 S. H. Dodwell, T. E. Pearce.

9.10 Comdr. Hile, C. E. Stark.

9.15 R. J. K. Walker, P. C. Jackson.

9.20 T. M. Wille, A. Kennedy.

9.25 T. Low, P. E. Taggart.

9.30 H. M. Rowland, E. J. Farglano.

9.35 R. E. Stewart, F. A. M. Elliott.

9.40 M. A. Annis, J. T. Harrison.

9.45 A. V. Greaves, J. W. Mayhew.

9.50 M. Pollock, F. Norris.

9.55 W. J. E. Mackenzie, H. Overy.

10.00 L. R. Cramer, W. G. Robertson.

10.05 A. N. & G. A. Macdonald.

10.10 J. C. Brown, L. Jackson.

10.15 T. Mesarry, D. M. Macdonald.

10.20 J. M. Pearson, E. G. Price.

10.25 F. A. Redmond, A. B. Purves.

10.30 W. Woodward, A. Nicol.

10.35 T. Duffin, W. L. Alexander.

10.40 H. J. Armstrong, H. G. Sheldons.

10.45 A. M. Mack, M. G. Carruthers.

10.50 R. G. Everett, H. F. Phillips.

10.55 J. Stenersen, F. Groves.

## NEW COURSE

9.20 J. Linaker, H. J. D. Lowe.

9.25 M. D. Cooper, F. A. M. Elliott.

9.30 N. K. Littlejohn, J. G. Campbell.

9.35 P. B. Delany, E. T. McMillan.

9.40 Mrs. Selby, Miss Culbertson.

9.45 Mrs. Goldman, Miss Blackburn.

9.50 Mrs. Mackenzie, Mrs. Hunter.

9.55 D. D. Forbes, D. L. Sirell.

10.00 W. N. A. & Mrs. Smalley.

10.05 Mrs. R. C. Stewart, Mrs. Steele.

10.10 Mrs. Dennis, Mrs. Collings.

10.15 Mrs. Mackenzie, Mrs. Overy.

10.20 Mrs. Cramer, Mrs. Robertson.

10.25 Sir Vandeleur & Miss Grayburn.

10.30 Capt. MacPherson, Capt. Harvey.

10.35 F. C. Young, W. Basting.

10.40 Mrs. Woodward, Mrs. Nicol.

10.45 Capt. MacPherson, Capt. Harvey.

10.50 Capt. Healy, Major Archer.

10.55 Capt. Tracey, Capt. Warrack.

11.00 Capt. Hyde, Capt. Brown.

\* Unsuccessful in ballot on Old Course.

## Protest Against Blockade

**THE HAGUE, Dec. 1 (Reuter).—**

The Government has officially protested to Paris against the Allied blockade measures, according to an announcement by the Prime Minister, Dr. de Geer.

It is also officially announced that the Government has energetically protested to Britain.

## DIPLOMATIC CHANGES

**New Japanese Appointment To Foreign Office**

**Tokyo, Nov. 30.**

Mr. Motoki Hasegawa, Third Secretary, has been appointed Secretary of the Foreign Office to serve at the Secretariat of the Foreign Minister.

Mr. Tokihiko Saida, Commercial Secretary of Embassy, has been appointed Commercial Secretary of the Japanese Legation in Spain, while Mr. Yasutaru Gotoh, Vice-Consul, has been transferred to Prague.

**Domei.**

only excuse is the brutal imperialist doctrine that might is right.

## Molotov's Rebuke To U.S.

**MOSCOW, Nov. 30 (Reuter).—**

Molotov has sharply rebuked American interference in the Soviet-Finnish dispute.

Observers here do not expect Soviet acceptance of the mediation offer.

## Roosevelt in Conference

**WASHINGTON, Nov. 30 (Reuter).—**









## CRIER READS WAR PROCLAMATION



Business as usual—even if it is in gunbagg and boarded-up premises.

Mr. W. T. Boston, Saltbearer and acting Town Crier of the City of London, reading from the steps of the Royal Exchange, the proclamation specifying the articles to be treated as contraband of war.



Pasting cross-cross strips of paper on a London shop-front to prevent flying glass. (Right) Steel-hatted policeman on duty near a London police telephone kiosk.

## Crossword Puzzle

By LARS MORRIS

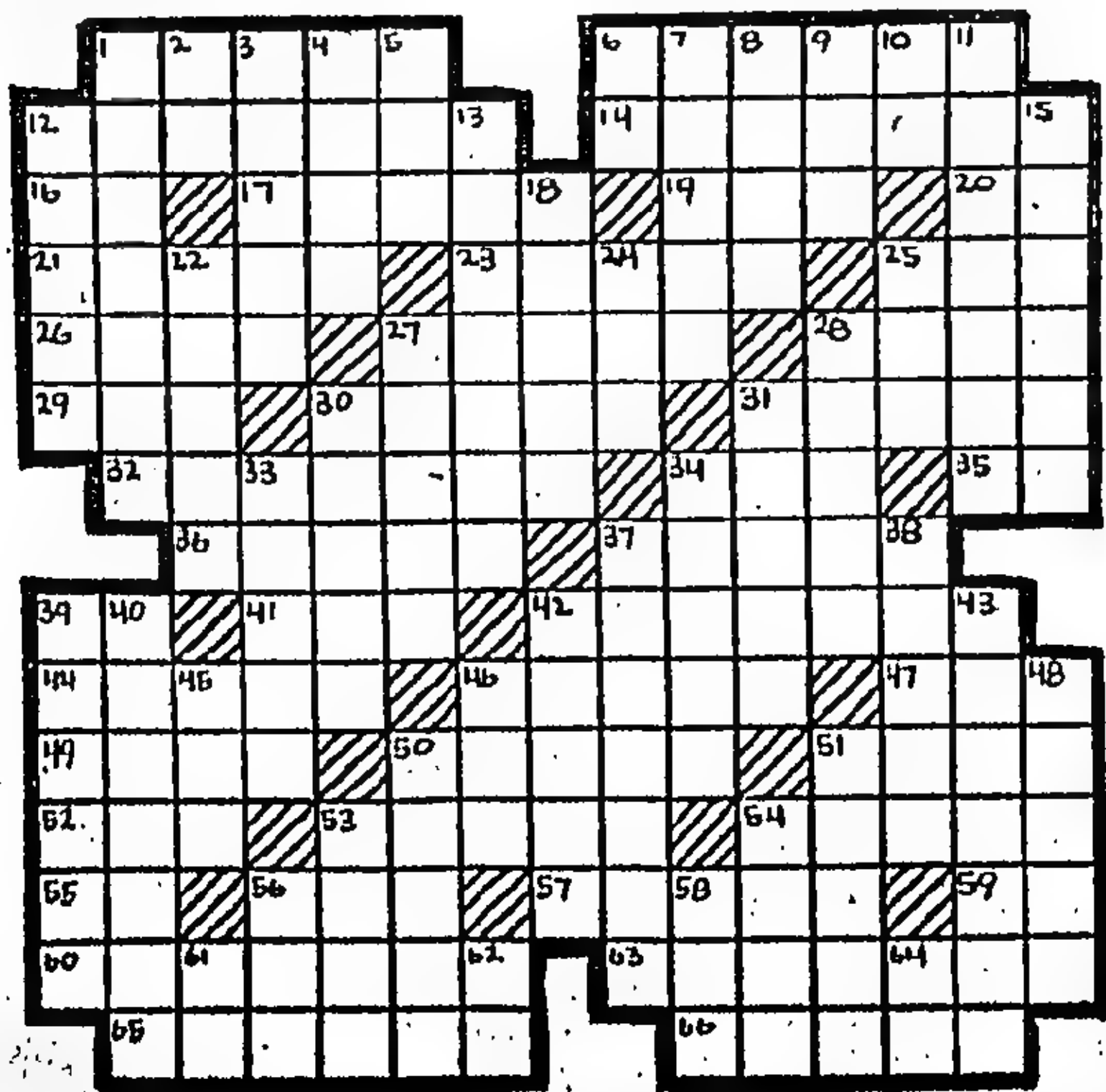
ACROSS

1—Toll  
6—Abstracted from  
13—Stare  
14—Unthinkable  
15—Nook  
16—Pierced  
17—Title of address  
21—Developed to last degree  
22—Fruit of oak tree  
23—Open fountain  
24—Placed hand on golf-mound  
27—Armistice  
28—Strong wind  
29—See map  
30—Male asexual trunk of body  
31—Interest felt for person (pl.)  
32—One designated as candidate  
34—Character's heel  
35—Traced by smell  
36—Fashion by following  
37—Decade  
38—Ancestral  
42—Opportunity  
43—Dying tool  
44—Kind of flower  
45—Total quantity  
46—Gives money to  
47—It happened  
48—Frame  
49—Islands  
50—Acquires, as sail  
51—Flare metal  
52—Breaks to sleep  
53—Exile

DOWN

1—Illumination device  
2—Dunking, pertaining to  
3—Largest amount of  
4—Destroyer of luxury  
5—Instrument for raising water  
6—Mother  
7—Tougher by use  
8—Without kindred

9—Are cognates of  
10—And (French)  
11—Marked with small depression in chess  
12—North American  
13—Created in boxing  
14—Malay dagger  
15—Sharp  
16—Form of lumber joint  
17—Used in adjoined manner  
18—Kind of dance  
19—Vanguard in church  
20—Well on sudden  
21—Cautious state of mind (pl.)  
22—Butler  
23—Organ of stomach (pl.)  
24—Pulse  
25—North American people  
26—Permitting to live  
27—Gentle breeze  
28—Delft  
29—Affirmative  
30—Label  
31—Differently  
32—Tons away from  
33—Fishes between two persons  
34—Art of learning  
35—Liberty  
36—Old money of  
37—Unit of resistance  
38—In answer  
39—Elate  
40—Concerning  
41—Note of scale



Gas masks slung over their shoulders, workers paint the kerbs of a London street to guide traffic during hours of black-out.

## PHOTONEWS

### RUSH OF RECRUITS FOR R.A.F.



The long queue of men which formed outside a Royal Air Force recruiting office following the appeal for skilled workers in special trades.



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## JAPAN'S BID IN YANGTSE

Shanghai, Nov. 30.

The East Asia Marine Transport Company has embarked upon a programme to strengthen its Yangtze transport by building before July 40, 1000 tons of shipping. Three passenger boats, the 2,500-ton Koolou Maru, the 4,020-ton Myoko Maru, and the freighter 2,577-ton Zuko Maru, which have been completed, will shortly be enlisted in the Yangtze service.

Seven 3,300-ton passenger boats, including the Koa Maru, Kotai Maru, Koryu Maru, Koun Maru, Koshi Maru and Kohai Maru, as well as a number of freighters under construction, will be put into service as soon as possible.

A luxury Kobe-Shanghai ferryboat, the Kobe Maru, 7,400 tons, will be completed by August. Upon completion of the programme, the Company's mercantile marine will total 72 vessels amounting to 204,000 tons. After completing plans for the ferry service between Japan and China and the Central China transport, the Company will launch its second programme as the end of next year with a view to strengthening its North China service.—Dom.

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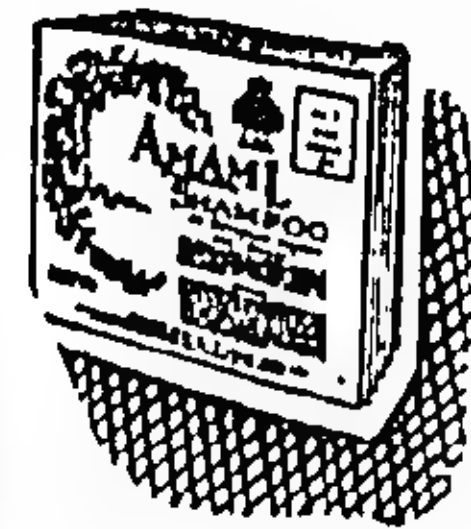
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Butter beans and onions are the foundation of Lenten pie. Soak half a pound of beans overnight and boil them next day with the same quantity of onions, four large tomatoes, and salt to taste.

When they are cooked arrange them in a pie-dish in layers, finishing with a teaspoonful of soaked tapoca and one or two hard-boiled eggs cut in slices, if these can be spared. Half fill the dish with the liquid in which the vegetables were cooked, saving the rest to re-heat and hand separately. Top with short piecrust, which can be made with dripping to save margarine and hard, and bake in a quick oven for about half an hour.

This pie is equally good hot or cold.

W. B.

## Sequins And Black

Paris—Sequins are hiding their light in a modest way. A black afternoon frock in Patou's collection had the bodice front overlaid with sequins veiled with black georgette. Each sequin is wrapped in a little georgette cover. Multicolour palmettes in an evening blouse, shine through an overblouse of pleated tulle, another veiling notion from the same source.



This smart traveller wears an ensemble created by a young New York designer. Her double-breasted top coat of plum and beige herringbone tweed is cut with high wide revers. The two-piece frock underneath it is of soft-plum-coloured woolen. Matching wool yarn is used for her hat and matching calf for her brass studded shoes.



Opaz-coloured metal maitre combined with matching tulle makes this beautiful theatre dress with the tailor top and apron pleats. The fullness of the skirt swings free from the walls in back. More gloves and a muf and stole of blue-fox-dyed-thunk add elegance.

## Looking After Your Furs

IS there anything which gives a woman such a well-dressed feeling as wearing furs? For not only are furs kind and softening to the face, but they are dignified as well. Wearing furs, it is easy to feel graceful.

But furs need care. Furs soon lose their self-respect, and if they are neglected their appeal quickly vanishes. Yet it is surprising how many women keep on airing their furs day after day, without giving a thought to their looks and general maintenance.

For instance, brushing and combing furs should be part of their weekly toilet. Use a fairly stiff brush do not, of course, be too vigorous and brush the way the hair "flows," that is, from the head and not the tail end. Afterwards comb carefully, using a coarse, steel comb. The fur may appear to moult! But that is nothing to worry about. Only loose hairs will come away and they are better banished.

## Bran Cleaning

Give dark furs an occasional clean with bran. Rub some warm bran generously into the fur with the fingers. This will absorb the dirt. When quite clean, give a cold bran application, and finally beat out all the bran dust and brush the fur out.

If you have a musquash cape or tie it can be very much revived by rubbing in silver sand, which, when brushed out, leaves the fur looking gloriously glossy.

A good tip to keep in mind for cleaning a white fur wrap is to use your favourite dry shampoo powder. Rub it well into the fur and leave it to do its best for a couple of hours. Then shake or brush the fur and its pristine freshness will delight you.

Light grey fur flourishes on powdered magnesia. Rub it (warm) well into the fur, and then beat out afterwards.

Never leave a tiny tear or split in fur unattended. For this gives the moth its big chance. Always repair from the skin side, unpicking the lining first. Choose a fine steel needle for the job and sew with silk.

## HANDY BRUSH

Keep a small brush on hand over the kitchen sink. It comes in handy for washing strainers, graters, forks, pots and china with crevices. It gets into the out-of-the-way places, under the rims of pots, for example, and around handles.

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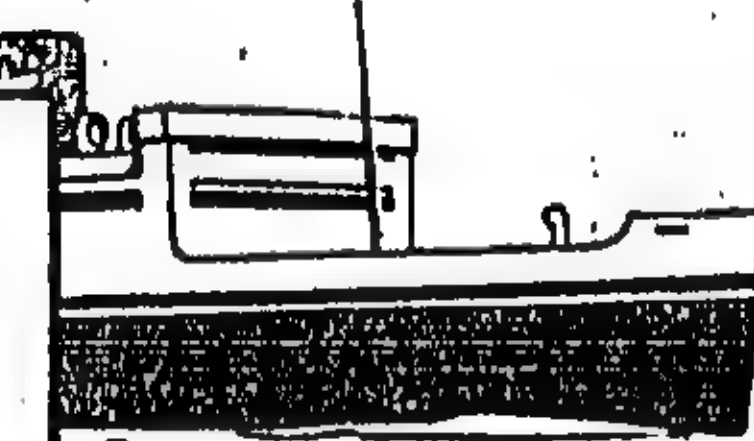
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24-Year-Old Man Wants To Fight Oppressors

## GERMAN JOINS RUSH FOR BRITISH ARMY

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SAILOR TRIES HIS LUCK.  
—He's going to have a "shy" at Hitler at the St. John's Cathedral Fair.—  
Ming Yuen.

A FAIR-HAIRED, bespectacled German, 24 years old, stood in a long queue of volunteers outside a London recruiting office one day recently, waiting his turn to join the British Army.

He was one of the thousands who besieged recruiting centres throughout the country in prompt response to the call for men between 22 and 35.

The German produced his identity documents, bearing the endorsement: "Refugee from Nazi oppression." He has been in England since last May, when he was released from a Nazi concentration camp.

"Now," he said, "I want to fight with the British and show the Nazi something!" His case will be specially considered by the military authorities.

## Struggle In Freedom Radio Studio

THE secret studio of the German Freedom Party, the anti-Nazi organisation within Germany which broadcasts to the German people inciting them to overthrow Hitler, has apparently had an exciting adventure.

The station last reported that it was broadcasting from the heart of Cologne.

The announcer was referring to the disclosures made by Mr. Kneibacker, the American journalist, of the fortunes the Nazi leaders have smuggled abroad when he suddenly stopped talking and a door was heard to open and apparently someone forced his way into the studio.

### Noise Of Fight

For the next three minutes scuffling noises were heard as if a fight were in progress.

Then the door was slammed again and listeners received the impression that the intruder—or his body—had been thrown out.

The announcer returned to the microphone and in breathless tones apologised for a "technical hitch."

Hitler's wireless experts are doing their best to jam the Freedom Station which, in its efforts to make itself heard by the German people, sometimes changes its wave-length several times during a single broadcast.

Men of all ages and classes waited outside the doors of London recruiting centres long before they opened, and throughout the day there was a constant stream of would-be soldiers.

### Many 1914-18 Veterans

City stockbrokers and neatly furrowed brows discussed the latest war news with curly navvies in dungarees and muffers. Some had been thrown out of work by the war; others, in good jobs, had felt the call to the Colours irresistible.

The queues were swelled by many veterans of the last war who applied to join the new Pioneer Corps.

Five doctors and a staff of nearly 20 worked all day at the centre in Seven Sisters Road, Holloway, which serves the City and West End.

### Overwhelmed

"We are simply overwhelmed by volunteers," said an official. "We cannot cope with the rush, and many of the men have been told to come back to-morrow. All day we have been rushed almost off our feet."

The volunteers did not actually enter the Army yesterday. After being interviewed and medically examined they were told to report on November 15 to the training unit of the corps for which they had enlisted. Each was given a railway warrant from the recruiting office to his home and another, dated November 15, from his home to the unit he is to join.

## Nazis Jeer At British Song

No Washing Yet On Siegfried Line

"We are hanging up our washing on the Siegfried Line" was the subject of a contemptuous broadcast recently from Zeelen, the German short-wave station.

"We have made inquiries among German soldiers on leave from the Siegfried Line," the speaker said.

"They report they have not seen a single Tommy between Luxembourg and the Palatine frontier. But we hear from other sources that the Tommies have arrived in great numbers—in Paris!"

"Hotel owners of the Montparnasse, managers of those queer little cafes that abound in Montmartre, and everybody in the Paris sight-seeing industry are hoping that the good old days when rich young Americans spent money like water have returned. And, by jove, they are not far wrong!"

### Air Minister's Visit

"The British Air Minister, Sir Kingsley Wood," the speaker continued, "has also been to Paris. Between one dinner and the next he had the good taste to be photographed on an old bus bearing the sign 'To the Siegfried Line and beyond.'"

"The song about hanging washing on the Siegfried Line is very popular in England just now. Well, we are not so sure that it will ever correspond with the truth. At least we have not yet seen British Tommies doing anything of the sort."

## PREMIER TELLS OF AGGRESSION

LONDON, Nov. 30 (Reuter).—Mr. Neville Chamberlain to-day made a statement in the House of Commons on the developments in Finland.

The statement was made at the request of Mr. Clement Attlee, leader of the Opposition.

The Premier recalled that for some time an exchange of views had been proceeding between the Soviet and Finland on questions mainly of a strategic character, which had been raised by the Soviets.

### Soviet "Apprehension"

The latter had expressed some apprehension at the proximity of Leningrad to the Finnish frontier (some laughter), which indeed was only some 20 miles distant, and a proposal was made for a re-alignment of this part of the frontier in exchange of territory in compensation further north.

A claim was also made for the acquisition of certain Finnish islands in the Gulf of Finland and a Finnish port at the entrance of the Gulf in order to assure the position of the Soviet Union in the Gulf.

A further claim was believed to be made for the Finnish side of the Rybachy Peninsula overlooking and dominating Finland's sole Arctic port of Petsamo.

ernment from the outset was No

### No Provocative Attitude

The attitude of the Finnish Government from the outset was not provocative (cheers), though provoked by the determination to do nothing to impair the country's sovereignty.

It was known that the Finnish Note was delivered in Moscow before the rupture of diplomatic relations and that it was most conciliatory in character.

### Finnish Offer

The Finnish Government proposed to submit the dispute to arbitration and offered meanwhile to withdraw their troops from the Finnish frontier in the Karelian Isthmus with the exception of the ordinary frontier guards and customs forces.

Nevertheless on Tuesday night the Soviets denounced the Soviet-Finnish Non-Aggression Pact which had been expressly designed to ensure the settlement of all disputes. His Majesty's Government had observed these developments with increasing concern. They found it difficult to believe the strategic measures of such scope and importance involving a Soviet attack on Finland was intended, yet a few hours afterwards it was understood that Soviet forces had invaded Finnish territory at several sections of the frontier, and had dropped incendiary bombs on the aerodrome in the neighbourhood of Helsinki.

Later it was reported that Helsinki, Vyborg and other centres were bombed, in some cases with loss of life.

### Mediation Offer Welcomed

His Majesty's Government warmly welcomed the mediation offer made

## Finnish Situation Affects Exchange

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"  
LONDON, Nov. 30 (Reuter).—On the Stock Exchange the Finnish developments were responsible for the early marking down of prices, but no selling appeared, and the market generally recovered partially prior to the close of trading.

Finnish bonds, however, dropped about ten points, but the Finnish mark remained comparatively steady, showing a decline of only five points, from 200 to 205 to the Pound sterling.

Of the commodities, cotton continued to be influenced by the strength of the eastern markets, together with freight difficulties, prices attaining new high levels and advancing by the permissible daily limits of 25 points.

## DUTCH NOT TO CONVOY YET

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"  
THE HAGUE, Nov. 30 (Reuter).—It is learned semi-officially that for the present the Government does not intend to provide convoy for Dutch merchant ships.

## Nazis Not To Call Up Poles

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"  
BERLIN, Nov. 30 (Reuter).—It is officially stated that Germany has no intention of calling up Poles or other non-German nationals for military service.

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## SPARING NEUTRALS

Mr. Butler Explains Embargo Order

LONDON, Nov. 30 (Reuter).—In the House of Commons to-day, Mr. R. A. Butler, the Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, dealing with the general situation, re-affirmed the Government's intention of sparing neutrals as much as possible in the interpretation of the Order-in-Council.

Neutrals' representations are receiving the close attention of Viscount Halifax.

"At the same time we have had ample evidence of the desire of neutrals to understand the reasons for the British decision and to appreciate the radical differences between the British and German policies."

### United We Stand

"We are more closely allied with France than ever before, both in

## Mass Production Of Planes

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

PARIS, Nov. 30 (Reuter).—Planes are being produced by mass production, like cheap cars, said the Air Minister, M. Lachamp, in a speech to the American Club.

In the first months of 1939, the air force received more planes than in the whole previous four years.

thought and action.

"The recent appointment of M. Jean Monnet as the first Inter-Allied Official of the Co-ordinating Committee, marks the beginning of attempts of German propaganda to try to draw a distinction between the aims and objects of the two nations."

Alluding to the Balkans, Mr. Butler was sure that any opportunity of improving trade with Greece would be taken and the matter was under active consideration.

The Government was gratified to learn of the recent decision of Turkey and Bulgaria to reduce the number of troops on the frontier regions, which it was hoped, would lead to a renewal of confidence between the two governments.

## Baby Eats Light Bulb

PASADENA.—An 11-months-old baby began eating a small electric light globe. The mother slipped the infant on the back until he had coughed fragments of glass. A fluoroscopic examination developed that he had swallowed nothing and suffered only a slight cut in the mouth.



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## Effects Of First Eleven Weeks Of War

## GERMANY'S FEARFUL ECONOMIC POSITION

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

BERLIN, Nov. 30 (UP).—Eleven weeks of war have given Germany's economic machinery a severe jolt, but have not thrown it out of gear.

The major effects of the first weeks of hostilities have been:

1. Roughly 50 per cent. of Germany's foreign trade has been cut off.
2. Industry has been slowed up by the closing of some factories and the restriction in production in many others.
3. Approximately one million men have been thrown out of work through the slow-up of industry.
4. Retail trade has fallen off by more than 50 per cent.

One of the most significant facts disclosed in a survey of Germany's position is the revolution that, except for butter and other fats, her food supply has not thus far been threatened.

**Enormous Food Reserves**  
Germany has enormous food reserves and for months, perhaps years, she will be able to continue importing from Scandinavian states, south-eastern Europe, Russia and Italy most of the foodstuffs which she cannot herself produce.

How long she can continue these imports depends on her ability to maintain her present high industrial production for export barter.

Germany produces more than 90 per cent. of her own meat and it has been estimated that her grain surplus this year will be 1,500,000 tons.

On the other side of the balance sheet, however, the shortage of fats, probably will grow more acute.

Germany's combined capacity of more than 100,000 tons of whale oil, undoubtedly will no longer venture into the Arctic waters where they would fall prey to British raiders.

The war will also deprive Germany of most of her annual catch of 300,000 tons of fish from the North Sea. Her Baltic catch is about 30,000 tons annually.

**Iron And Oil Shortage**  
The war created two other important shortages in Germany—iron and oil. Iron is as important to industry as oil is to the war machine.

Thus far the war has cost Germany about two-thirds of her iron ore imports representing almost one-quarter of her entire supply. Some 12,000,000 tons of iron ore formerly imported from France, North Africa, Brazil and Newfoundland have been cut off.

The bulk of the remainder of German ore imports has been coming from Sweden. If Germany can continue to provide Sweden with coal there is no reason to believe that Sweden will not continue to export to Germany the usual 8,000,000 tons of ore annually, or possibly more.

Germany is trying harder than ever to utilize her own source of low grade iron ore to meet the new deficiency.

In two or three years she should be able to add about 7,000,000 tons to her annual output through the construction of new iron works designed especially for smelting low grade ore. She would still, however, be short of about 3,000,000 tons.

**Serious War Problem**  
Oil is one of Germany's most serious war problems. The hostilities have not greatly interfered with Germany's sources of fuel oil but they have doubled potential requirements.

German military experts have estimated that 12,000,000 tons of oil—some estimates are higher—will be needed to supply the Reich in war time. To-day, Germany can provide less than 30 per cent. of that amount from her own resources.

By intensifying her efforts, Germany can recover more than 3,000,000 tons of benzine from her vast coal supplies this year, and next year probably will increase the amount to 4,000,000 tons. Oil well sources amount to only about 600,000 tons yearly.

Rumania and Russia are the likeliest sources for the balance of Germany's oil needs. Rumania annually disposes of a 6,000,000 ton surplus. It is questionable, however, whether Germany will be able to transport this amount. Neutral experts have estimated that only about half of it could be brought into the Reich by way of the Danube River.

Russia will probably have a surplus of about 1,000,000 tons of oil but neutral experts question whether she will be willing to neglect her own reserves by exporting it all. Here, too, the problem of transportation arises.

**Lack Of Copper**  
The war further weakened Germany's already shaky position in regard to copper. The Reich produces only about one-eighth of her normal copper needs. The war has now cut off the bulk of her imports which came principally from Africa, Chile and the United States. The two chief sources remaining are Finland and Sweden who together presently meet only about one-tenth of Germany's needs.

As for other metals, Germany will have to depend upon Russia for her increased manganese requirements on Hungary, Yugoslavia, Greece and Italy for bauxite, and on Turkey, Yugoslavia and Greece for chromium. Poland's zinc resources made Germany self-sufficient in that respect.

The Allied blockade has cut off the Reich's rubber supply, and she can supply only about one-third of her needs with artificial rubber.

**Italy A Key Factor**  
Italy has become a key factor in Germany's attempt to solve her economic difficulties. Italy forms a bottleneck through which overseas neutrals might pour greatly needed materials into the Reich, for example soy beans from Manchuria and oil from Russia.

How effectively Italy can serve Germany in this manner, however, will depend upon how tightly British warships close the Suez Canal and the Mediterranean to neutral shipping destined for Germany.

Neutral observers believe Germany hopes to increase imports from the Scandinavian countries by preventing those countries from shipping to Great Britain. Goods which cannot be delivered to Britain through the

## LATE NEWS

## GOVERNMENT'S RESIGNATION

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

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There is an unconfirmed rumour that Russia has issued an ultimatum to Finland to cede all the original Russian demands by 3 a.m. to-day, otherwise the capital will be destroyed. Finnish quarters say they have received no such ultimatum.

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## Bitter Press Campaign Against "Wanton Aggression" Now In Full Swing

# UNITED STATES MAY BREAK OFF RELATIONS WITH RUSSIANS

### CORDELL HULL TO CONSIDER ACTION

WASHINGTON, DEC. 1 (REUTER).—A SHARP AND IMMEDIATE DETERIORATION OF RELATIONS BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES AND THE U.S.S.R. IS CONSIDERED IN POLITICAL QUARTERS TO BE THE CERTAIN OUTCOME OF THE SOVIET INVASION OF POLAND.

Official quarters confirm that the State Department is engaged in studying action open to the United States to express her disapproval, and there is talk of

- 1.—Immediate-recall of Mr. Lawrence Steinhardt, U.S. Ambassador to Moscow;
- 2.—Cancellation of the trade agreement between the U.S.A. and the U.S.S.R.;
- 3.—Severance of diplomatic relations.

It is also reported that as the result of the conference between Cordell Hull and President Roosevelt, one of them will, in a public speech in the next few hours, invite the world's attention to the assurance given by the Soviets to the United States three weeks ago that they intended to respect the independence of Finland.

### RISE IN INDIGNATION

WASHINGTON, Nov. 30 (Domei).—Public opinion urging-severance-of-relations-with-Soviet-Russia-in-connection with the latter's invasion of Finland is sweeping influential quarters in America.

### NAVAL BATTLE

#### Finns Out-Gunned, But Gallant

HELSINGFORS, Dec. 1 (Reuter).—It is reported that the small Finnish fleet, although hopelessly outgunned, has challenged the Soviet fleet attacking Helsingfors.

A naval engagement is now believed to be in progress.

Soviet marines are reported to have landed on Hogland in the face of withering fire after the approaches had been subjected to naval shelling and heavy aerial bombing for hours without a moment's cessation.

Soviet Attack Hango Island

STOCKHOLM, Nov. 30 (Domei).—A report from Helsingfors says that the Soviet fleet severely bombarded Hango Island, the gateway to the Gulf of Finland, and subsequently landed marines on the island.

Meanwhile, the Finnish fleet is reported to have left Helsingfors this morning to engage the Soviet fleet which is advancing on the Finnish capital from Hogland Island.

### Comparative Fleets

Judged by big power standards, Finland has no fleet, and what navy she boasts cannot compare in equipment with that of Russia.

Finland has two coast defence ships, five submarines, four gunboats, 25 minelayers and minesweepers, and seven motor torpedo boats.

Russia boasts three battleships already in commission and three more projected.

She has an aircraft-carrier, and another in the making.

Her cruisers number eight, her destroyers and minelayers 28, and her submarines 134, with an additional 30 projected.

### Helsingfors Bombarded

ROME, Dec. 1 (Reuter).—Soviet warships are stated to have bombarded Helsingfors this afternoon, and were immediately answered by coast batteries.

The train and bus service at Helsingfors is suspended.

### Islands Seized

COPENHAGEN, Nov. 30 (UP).—The Red Fleet has occupied Hogland and other islands in the Gulf of Finland.

While a bitter Press campaign against Russia's aggressive policy is in progress, Congress circles also hint at anti-Soviet legislation at the coming session.

Most newspapers, in denouncing Soviet action, urge American severance of relations with the Red Empire. Government circles are also indignant at the Soviet action, which followed on the heels of American representations for mediation.

Senator Key Pittman, Chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, declared at the Press Conference that Russia has infringed practically all its commitments to the United States and he would move a bill for severance of relations with Russia at the coming session of Congress.

Senators Borah and King were also unanimous in denouncing the Soviet invasion and support the proposed severance of relations with Russia.

Senator King declared that America no longer needed to shake the "bloody hands of such a barbarian as Stalin, who is destroying freedom and democracy."

### Missionaries For Shensi

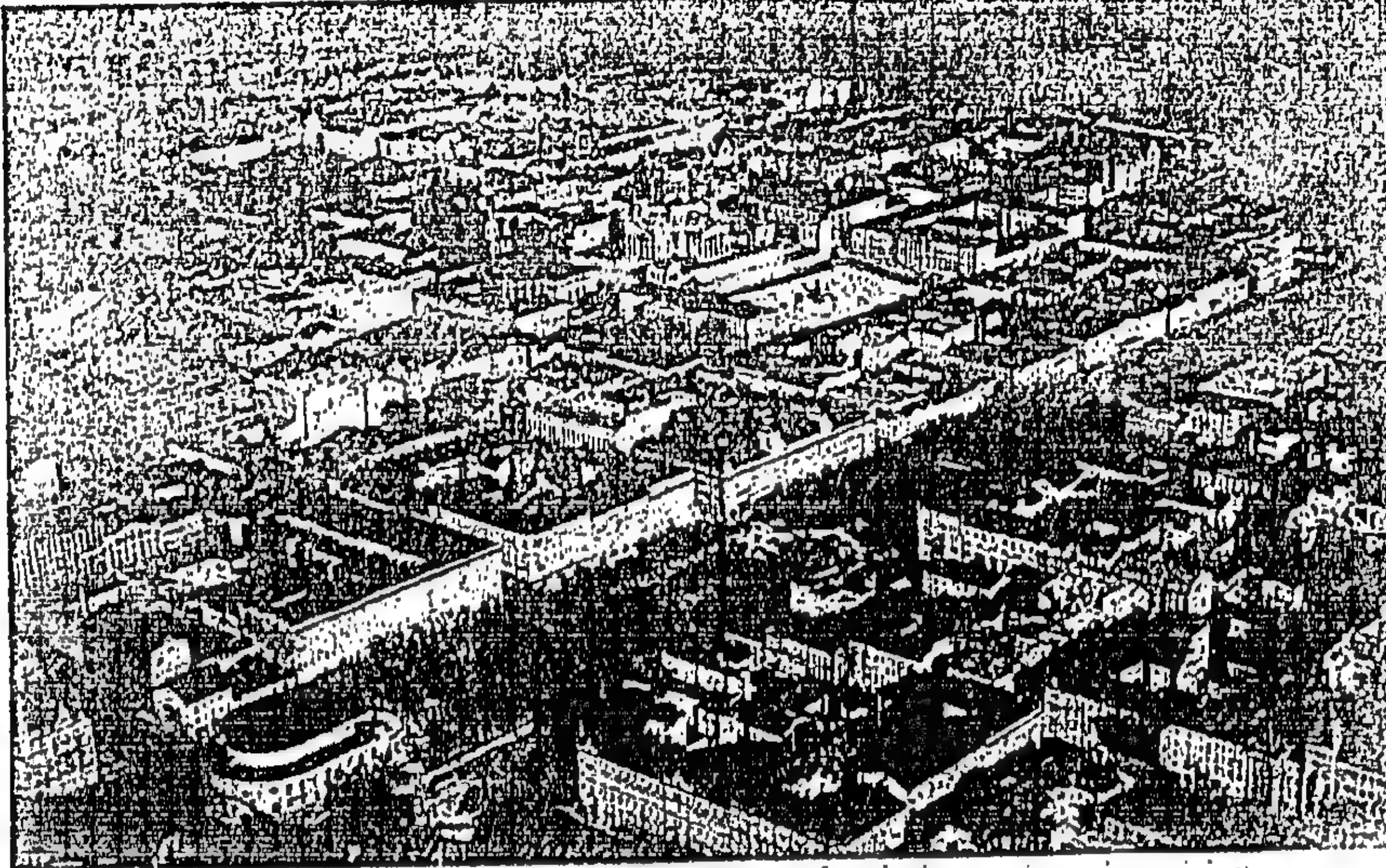
#### Foreign Party Heads For The Interior

CHUNGKING, Nov. 30 (Reuter).—Equipped with two truck-loads of medical supplies, a party of seven American missionaries of the Scandinavian Alliance Mission are leaving shortly for their stations in and near Sian, the capital of Shensi.

The party consists of Miss Edith Johnson, from Illinois; Mr. and Mrs. G. R. Gustafson, and Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Nelson, from Minnesota; Miss Ruth Nelson from Washington; and Mr. O. Beckon, from Iowa.

They are proceeding from Chungking to Sian in two Ford cars with trailers.

The medicines and supplies have been given by the Chinese Red Cross Society in Hongkong for medical relief work among Chinese wounded soldiers in Sian and other missions centres in Shensi.



A BOLSHEVİK AIRMAN'S VIEW OF HELSINGFORS

### SURRENDER OF NATION DEMANDED

## RED ULTIMATUM TO HELSINGFORS

HELSINGFORS, Dec. 1 (Reuter).—An unconfirmed report states that the Finnish Government has been presented with an ultimatum demanding the surrender of all Finland before 3 a.m. Moscow Time (10 a.m. H.K.T.).

Unless the surrender is proclaimed, the ultimatum is said to threaten that Helsingfors and every other big centre in the country will be razed to the ground.

### CIVILIANS LEAVING

HELSINGFORS, Dec. 1 (Reuter).—All civilians are being evacuated from Helsingfors.

During raids, Red bombs struck U.S. Legation. None of inmates injured.

Another 500lb bomb exploded near Soviet Legation; many people in adjoining building killed.

All bomb victims thus far are civilians.

Red communique claims troops have advanced between five and ten miles into Finnish territory in the Karelian Isthmus.

Logation Removed

HELSINGFORS, Dec. 1 (UP).—The U. S. Legation, which was struck by a bomb in one of yesterday's raids, has been removed to Grankulla, ten miles from the capital.

Legation officials have been instructed in the use of gas masks.

Helsingfors Evacuation

HELSINGFORS, Nov. 30 (UP).—The evacuation of the capital began to-night. Trains and roads are jammed.

Rescue work is continuing. A total of 20 houses are burning.

Adults and children are spending the night in cellars and shelters in complete darkness except from the light of the flames of the burning buildings. Electricity failed when Red bombs struck the Imatra hydroelectric plant.

Offices of the Great Northern Telegraph Company were bombed but no-one was injured. The Polytechnic College is almost completely destroyed. One apartment house was struck by a giant bomb and was completely gutted. It is believed that scores were killed.

### FINLAND'S MAGINOT LINE

#### Wonderful System Of Fortifications

LONDON, Nov. 30 (Reuter).—Finland's main bulwark of defence against an invasion from the east is a remarkable Maginot Line called the Mannerheim Line, named after the country's famous Field Marshal.

Here nature has helped the Finn engineers to form a line of extraordinary strength.

Reddish evergreen forests provide protection from the air.

Barracks and training places are absolutely invisible.

Natural Barriers

Large stretches of lakes and dangerous morasses save fortifying some areas at all.

The landscape is liberally strewn with huge granite blocks, forming anti-tank barriers.

Some areas are seamed with cunningly arranged systems of barbed wire, of which much is electrified.

In addition the Finns have dug a net work of broad furrows.

Full advantage is taken of the peculiarities of the landscape. All sorts of emplacements and large fortifications have been erected.

### NO JAPANESE "RETALIATION"

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Nov. 30 (UP).—Threats emanating from unofficial Japanese sources that Japan might retaliate against the British embargo on German exports by seizing British ships, are strongly discounted here.

The attitude here favours a continued British parallel policy with the United States. A certain section of British politicians favour an attempt to reach an early agreement with Japan in order to assure Japan's "benevolent neutrality."

### 1917 HERO IN CHARGE

#### Mannerheim Takes Over Defences

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

HELSINGFORS, Dec. 1 (UP).—The declaration of a State of War has placed General Baron Karl Mannerheim, hero of the Finnish fight for independence 22 years ago, in supreme command of the Finnish armed forces.

The main Finnish line of defence is 25 miles behind Suojarvi, where natural defences are provided by intricate island-studded waterways.

Determined To Resist

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Nov. 30, (Domei).—The Finnish Minister to London, Mr. G. A. Gripenberg, called at the Foreign Office this morning.

It is understood that the Finnish envoy held important conversations with Foreign Office authorities regarding the Soviet invasion of Finland.

The nature of the conversations was not divulged. Finnish Legation circles bitterly denounce the lawless action of Soviet Russia and declared that Finland is determined to resist the Soviet invasion.

"We were firmly convinced of the possibility of a peaceful settlement until the moment we received reports of the commencement of the actual armed invasion by the Soviet," said a spokesman of the Finnish Legation.

"Finland is fully prepared against such a situation and it is not that Finland has been surprised by Soviets."

"Although we are at present helpless against air attacks, Finland still can mobilize 300,000 troops the spokesman added."

Defensive Policy

LONDON, Dec. 1 (Reuter).—M. Erikko, the Foreign Minister, told foreign correspondents that Finnish forces everywhere are on the defensive.

"This is our policy. We have no other way. If there is a chance to make an honest agreement we are always ready to grasp it."

### Quick Action Follows Resignation Of Cabinet

## FINLAND SEEKS AN ARMISTICE

COPENHAGEN, Nov. 30 (Reuter).—Information available in diplomatic circles here states that the Finnish Government has asked the Soviet Government for a temporary armistice, pending the formation of a new Cabinet following Premier Kajander's resignation.

The Finnish Government headed by Professor A. K. Kajander has resigned, holding itself responsible for the outbreak of hostilities between Finland and Soviet Russia.

### ARMISTICE PARLEYS

LONDON, Dec. 1 (Reuter).—According to unofficial reports reaching London, the Finnish Government has resigned.

The Socialist Finance Minister, M. Tanner, is reported to have formed a new Government.

Armistice negotiations are stated to have begun.

The Finnish Legation in London said at 2 a.m. that it had no knowledge of the reports.

Gov't's Resignation

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Tanner To Head New Cabinet

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COPENHAGEN, Nov. 30 (Domei).—Latest reports from Helsingfors state that, following the resignation of Professor Kajander's Cabinet, M. Tanner, the Finance Minister of the outgoing Cabinet and member of the recent Finnish mission to Moscow, will form a new Ministry with a view to reviving relations with the U.S.S.R.

The reports understand that the new Finnish Ministry will negotiate with the Soviet Government for an armistice.

At 8 a.m. Soviet troops crossed the frontier in the Karelian Isthmus between the Gulf of Finland and Lake Ladoga, northwest of Leningrad and at other points, and advanced to the city of Viipuri. Several patrol groups of Finnish soldiers were captured, the announcement said.

Soviet planes bombed Helsingfors and Viipuri.

Moscow Version

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

MOSCOW, Dec. 1 (UP).—The first Russian mention of the hostilities was made over Moscow Radio at 12.50 a.m.

The announcement said that a group of Finnish soldiers attacked a group of Red soldiers at 9 a.m. on Thursday in Soviet territory near Lake Ladoga. The Finns were repulsed. At 3 a.m. the Finns began another attack and were again repulsed, ten being captured, including one officer. The Finns attacked and were repulsed once more.

At 8 a.m. Soviet troops crossed the frontier in the Karelian Isthmus between the Gulf of Finland and Lake Ladoga, northwest of Leningrad and at other points, and advanced to the city of Viipuri. Several patrol groups of Finnish soldiers were captured, the announcement said.

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### SOVIET "EXCUSES"

## FINLAND IS BLAMED

LONDON, Nov. 30 (Reuter).—The Soviet, which refused for hours to admit that the invasion had been ordered, issued a statement this evening declaring that the attack was provoked by a further attempted invasion of Soviet territory by Finnish troops.

They claim that Russian troops have advanced between five to ten miles into Finnish territory in the Karelian Isthmus.

They made only a brief reference to the air attacks, limiting their version to a statement that Soviet planes made "reconnaissance" flights over the airports at Viipuri and Helsingfors and bombed them.

### Nazis Jeer At British Song

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Attempt To Save Helsingfors

LONDON, Dec. 1 (Reuter).—An official announcement is reported to have been made at Helsingfors to the effect that it has been decided to reconstruct the Cabinet in order to enable parties hitherto not represented to be represented.

The rumour that M. Tanner is to become Prime Minister is still not confirmed.

It is understood that it is intended to form a coalition Government in order to save Helsingfors from being destroyed by the Reds. Negotiations will be opened with Moscow.

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# WON'T BE A WALK-OVER

Sturdy Finns Are Great Fighters

LONDON, Nov. 30 (Reuter).—"The Soviet invading armies will have numerical and material advantages over the Finnish defenders, but in a country of lakes and forests, defended by a force of 600,000 intelligent patriots, it will not be a walk-over for the attackers," says "Reuters" military correspondent.

This correspondent points out that many Finnish reservists are battle-scarred veterans. The Finns are robust and hardy athletes who are world-famous, and the Finns have been military-minded people for as many centuries as the British.

Qualities Which U.S. Admirals "It is these qualities of physical fitness, combined with industry and the determination to defend their liberties which have gained the Finns so much prestige in the United States."

"The fact that Finland has paid its war debt fully was of small importance compared with its manhood and ideals."

The correspondent adds that part of the establishment of Finland's Army is a corps of women similar to the United States Women's Auxiliary (Territorial Service).

They act as cooks and nurses and wear a becoming uniform. The correspondent concludes by saying: "Russia has proclaimed that the occupation of Finland is not her intention, but, otherwise, could she impose her will upon such a virile people?"

## POST OFFICE

INWARD MAILS  
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—London date 22nd November.  
Dec. 1, U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Manila (San Francisco, date 6th Nov.).

Shanghai ..... Dec. 1.  
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Hankow ..... Dec. 2.  
Japan and Shanghai ..... Dec. 2.  
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Bangkok, Saigon and Tourane ..... Dec. 2.  
Hankow and Hoihow ..... Dec. 3.  
Japan ..... Dec. 3.  
Shanghai ..... Dec. 3.  
Shanghai and Amoy ..... Dec. 3.  
Straits ..... Dec. 3.  
Japan ..... Dec. 4.  
Saidakan ..... Dec. 4.  
Calcutta, Straits and Saigon ..... Dec. 4.  
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—London date, 25th Nov.  
Amoy ..... Nov. 5.

OUTWARD MAILS  
Friday, Dec. 1  
Manila, Rabaul, Australia and New Zealand via Brisbane—due Brisbane, 10th December.  
G. P. O. and K. P. O.  
Par. .... Dec. 1, 5.00 p.m.  
Reg. .... Dec. 2, 8.45 a.m.  
Ord. .... Dec. 2, 9.30 a.m.  
Saturday, Dec. 2  
Saigon ..... 10.30 a.m.  
Amoy ..... 11 a.m.  
Fort Bayard ..... 11.30 a.m.  
Straits ..... 1.30 p.m.  
Manila ..... 2.30 p.m.  
Bangkok ..... 3 p.m.  
Shanghai, Honolulu, U.S.A., Central and South America and Canada via San Francisco (No Parcels for Canada)—due San Francisco, 22nd December.  
G.P.O. and K.P.O.  
Parcels ..... 4 p.m.  
Reg. .... 5 p.m.  
Ord. .... 5.30 p.m.  
Air Mail for "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—due London 10th Dec.  
G. P. O. and K. P. O.  
Reg. .... Dec. 2, 5 p.m.  
Ord. .... Dec. 2, 5.30 p.m.  
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# RUSSIA INVADES FINLAND BY LAND, SEA AND AIR: HEROIC RESISTANCE

## CABINET RESIGNATION FOLLOWS HOLOCAUST

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

HELSINGFORS, NOV. 30 (UP).—SOVIET-RUSSIA HAS WON, AT LEAST HER DIPLOMATIC WAR, AGAINST FINLAND. THE FINNISH GOVERNMENT RESIGNED TO-DAY IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE ORIGINAL DEMANDS MADE BY THE SOVIETS.

The Russians insisted upon the resignation of the Finnish Foreign Minister, Mr. Erkkö, and the Commander-in-Chief of the Finnish forces, Field-Marshal K. G. Mannerheim. RESIGNATION FOLLOWS INVASION

The Finnish Government's resignation succeeded a territorial invasion by the Soviets in which troops and aircraft participated.

Russia to-day invaded Finland by land, sea and air, and rained death on Helsingfors, Viborg and half a dozen other cities.

## CITY DAZED BY RAIDS

Red planes roared through the clouded skies throughout the day and rained thermite bombs, (aerial torpedoes which are designed to penetrate buildings and are sometimes incendiary) which dazed Helsingfors, destroyed public buildings and apartment houses and started many fires.

At least three suburban homes in Viborg were set afire.

## DEATH ROLL OF 200

It is unofficially estimated that the dead will run as high as 200 and many more were wounded. At nightfall the rescuers were searching the wreckage for dead or wounded.

The Finnish reply to the undeclared war was roaring aircraft which brought down one and perhaps two of the raiders in the frontier areas and the declaration that a state of war against Russia exists.

## PEOPLE CAUGHT UNAWARES

The raid on Helsingfors caught the mid-afternoon crowds on the streets in the middle of the city where the people were apparently stupefied and many of them stood and gaped into the sky instead of seeking shelter. Bombs also fell in the railway station, in the harbour and at the airport.

Hotel lobbies and travel bureaux are thronged with foreigners who are seeking to leave the country.

## Ten Machines In Attack

HELSINGFORS, Nov. 30 (Reuter).—The city was bombed this afternoon by ten machines. Many houses were in flames.

The bombers came over in groups of two and three.

A bomb fell near the railway station, and windows over a wide area were smashed.

Incendiary bombs were dropped over a wide area. Six houses were set on fire at Frederickska and Keskitala.

The Technical High School was set alight and an air raid warning was still in progress until the late afternoon.

From the centre of the city, about a score of bombs were counted and a big fire, from which dense clouds of smoke arose, was seen in the northern district of Helsingfors.

No State of War Declared

WASHINGTON, Nov. 30 (Reuter).—The Finnish Minister, M. Erkkö, in a statement, denied that Finland has declared war on Russia.

He said Finland had declared a state of siege.

M. Erkkö later had a conference with Mr. Cordell Hull.

Mannerheim Is C-in-C.

HELSINGFORS, Nov. 30 (Reuter).—Field Marshal Mannerheim, Finland's "Grand Old Man," has been appointed Commander-in-Chief of the Finnish Forces.

Aping Hitler Again

LONDON, Nov. 30 (Reuter).—There is good reason to believe that Moscow delayed transmission of the Finnish reply to the Soviet Note so that the Soviet Government would not be embarrassed in its purport of its pre-arranged aggression.

It is understood that the Finnish reply suggested an enquiry by a frontier commission, and an offer to negotiate concerning the withdrawal of Finnish troops as demanded by Moscow.

Sheer Ruthlessness

LONDON, Nov. 30 (Reuter).—Since early this morning the Soviet Army, Navy and Air Forces have been attacking Finland with sheer ruthlessness.

They have attacked on land in three main forces, while the air force bombed towns and cities all day long.

The Russian Baltic Fleet, which left Kronstadt yesterday, has attacked Hogland and other islands, which formed the subject of the original Soviet demands.

One of the worst air-raids was on Helsingfors, which was bombed from early morning until 2 p.m.

Soviet planes flew over the city, but only dropped bombs on the airport.



Flags indicate ports and islands where Russia has already obtained concessions. The coveted Finnish islands, already reported occupied, are shown on the Gulf of Finland.

At 2 p.m. the "All Clear" was sounded and the people, who had been sitting quietly in the shelters, then came out.

Shops re-opened and the buses and trams started to move again.

No Attempt At Accuracy

The Soviet planes started to bomb the Finnish capital in earnest. They flew high and dropped their deadly missiles without any attempt at accuracy.

A correspondent who was telephoning at the time the raid started reported that he had already counted a dozen bombs from where he was sitting.

Two of them were large ones and broke the windows of houses within a radius of half a mile.

There were also incendiary bombs and several buildings caught fire.

It is quite impossible at the present to give any estimate of the number of casualties.

The people, however, remained calm and, where possible, returned to their shelters.

Viborg Attacked

Viborg was also attacked and incendiary bombs started several fires.

There were also attacks all the way from Helsingfors to Viborg, while coast towns and villages were also shelled, either from naval batteries at Kronstadt or from warships.

Hogland Occupied

According to one report, the Soviet Fleet has already occupied Hogland.

The land attack was in three main

## NATION OF FREEMEN

Historically and geographically Finland belongs to the Northern group of nations i. e. to Scandinavia. Finnish civilization is western and its religion Protestant.

Finland's independence is the result of century-long development. In fighting for its independence in 1917—18 the Finnish people was materially and spiritually fit to earn it. They knew what they were doing.

Finland's independence was no gift of strangers. Finland as a sovereign nation has undoubtedly proved that it is economically and culturally entitled to be ranked as a free country among the other nations of the world.

Finland is a peace loving country and provokes no one. Finland has never asked for gifts, asks only to be left to live in peace and develop for the benefit of the Finnish citizen.

The Finnish people is hardy, hardworking and thrifty. The Finn is a law-abiding citizen and loves his country. The Finn is a good friend, but a bitter enemy. The Finnish people is enlightened. Every Finn knows how to read. In every Finnish village there is a school and a sports ground. In the farthest nook of the country news papers are read and broadcasts listened in to.

Finland is a republic and its Government democratic. Finland was the first country in Europe to grant women the right to vote. Finland can be cited as a forerunner in social work. There are no great divisions in the social and economic conditions of the people. The greater part of arable land is owned by small farmers. Finland has clearly proved how the common good can be best served by a national united will to make an effort. An absolute freedom of thought and word prevails in Finland.

The foundation of Finland's national wealth is forests and fields. Improving hydro-electrical plants and wood-working factories speak of the high technical standard in Finland. Finnish scientists and inventors have brought great improvements to agriculture and cattle-breeding, putting agricultural products on the highest level.

Every Finn treasures above everything else his independence. He fought for it and intends to keep it. Finland is firm in its will to rule itself, and is capable of it. This is a fact and the whole united people of Finland stands as one man to support it.

The Finn is a good friend, he never forgets.

The first body attacked along the Arctic Coast and the Soviet said, has occupied the whole of the Ribachi Peninsula, part of which belongs to Finland.

It is on this peninsula that Finland has its one Arctic port that is ice-free all the year round.

The Soviets have coveted this port. Another attack was on the eastern frontier. There was a great deal of artillery fire, which was returned by the Finns, who later withdrew so that the Soviets found themselves confronted with a No-Man's Land.

The third attack was on the Karelian Isthmus, north of Leningrad. The Isthmus is only about 40 miles wide. Here the Soviets had the support of naval batteries.

During the early flights over Helsingfors, Soviet leaflets demanded the overthrow of the Finnish Government.

Liberators Must Go

"Mannerheim and Cajander must go!" said leaflets. "After which peace will come."

M. Cajander is the Finnish President, while Field Marshal Mannerheim to-day took over the supreme command of Finland's forces.

He is regarded as the liberator of Finland, for he repulsed the Bolsheviks 20 years ago.

Both men enjoy great popularity.

Three Raids On Capital

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH".

HELSINGFORS, Nov. 30 (Domel).—Soviet bombers flying in formation raided Helsingfors three times. Scores of bombs were dropped into the centre of the city.

During the third raid in the afternoon, scores of incendiary bombs were dropped by Soviet planes and fires started at several places in the city.

Unofficial estimates by Government circles put the casualties caused by Soviet bombardment at over 200. "Numerous" private houses have been demolished.

It is also reported that Soviet troops landed on Selkari Island in the Gulf of Finland, while units of

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FINNISH TROOPS ON SKIS.

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# FINLAND RESISTS ALL ALONG BORDER

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

HELSINGFORS, Nov. 30 (Domel).—The first war communique issued by the Finnish High Command says that Finnish troops are putting up a stiff resistance against the invading Soviet forces along a 50-mile front in the Karelia district.

Eight Soviet tanks have been captured or destroyed by Finnish troops in the same area, the communique adds.

## Stubborn Fight

HELSINGFORS, Dec. 1 (Reuter).—The official Finnish report of the invasion states that the Finnish Army is stubbornly resisting at all points. It is claimed that the Reds have been repulsed at most points and where they have succeeded in gaining a footing they have been unable to consolidate.

Twelve Soviet bombing planes were shot down by A.A. fire during the raids on Helsingfors.

Big Battle Imminent

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH".

HELSINGFORS, Dec. 1, (UP).—The Russians have completed the occupation of Fisherman's Peninsula. It is unofficially reported that the Reds have again bombed Viborg and Kola.

Heavy fighting is imminent as the Finnish troops move up to meet the advancing Red Army. It is apparent that Finland intends to oppose the Red invasion on all sides.

Red Invasion On All Sides

HELSINGFORS, Dec. 1 (UP).—The Government announces that the country is now being invaded from all sides.

The Red Fleet, according to unconfirmed reports, has passed Hogland Island enroute to Helsingfors.

Red troops have succeeded in effecting a landing on Selkari Island, in the Gulf of Finland.

Red warships fired on Tamelso, on the Karelian Isthmus. Red artillery is pounding Suojarvi and Kivona.

Northern Fronts Taken

HELSINGFORS, Dec. 1 (UP).—Soviet troops are reported to have partially occupied two points in the north.

Only meagre details of the situation on the frontier are available, due to disrupted communications.

Red Advance Checked

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH".

HELSINGFORS, Dec. 1 (Reuter).—The Red armies have swept through Rybachy Peninsula in the extreme north of Finland, but they have made little progress in Karelian Isthmus, where their advance has been limited to about five miles, despite the employment of mechanized units, advancing under cover of heavy fire.

Soviets Complete Occupation

COPENHAGEN, Nov. 30 (Domel).—A dispatch from Helsingfors says that Soviet forces to-day have completely captured the Ribachi Peninsula, facing the Arctic Ocean.

Soviet aircraft flying in formation twice bombed Viborg and Kola, important towns on the southern coast of Finland.

Brave Resistance

STOCKHOLM, Dec. 1 (Reuter).—It is reported here that Soviet troops have landed on the island of Hogland, in the Gulf of Finland, following a bombardment from the air, though this is not confirmed.

The Finns are stated to be resisting bravely on the Karelian Isthmus.

which is being attacked by land and sea.

Reds Advancing

ROME, Nov. 30 (Reuter).—The Soviet forces who crossed the Finnish frontier are now rapidly advancing towards the Finnish "Magnet Line" 20 miles from the border, according to a message from Helsingfors.

They are encountering some resistance.

It is reported that the hospital at Enso was destroyed during a Soviet bombing raid.

60 Die In One House

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH".

STOCKHOLM, Nov. 30 (UP).—The "Dagens Nyheter" correspondent in Helsingfors estimates that the dead there will reach 200. Sixty were killed in one apartment alone.

The "Tunberg" states that Hangoe Island had been bombed three times.

Soviets Occupy Petsamo

"TELEGRAPH" STAFF REPORTER

HELSINGFORS, Nov. 30 (Domel).—Continuing their push along the Ribachi Peninsula, the Soviet forces in the northern area have captured Petsamo, the only ice-free port on the Arctic coast of Finland.

Petsamo is only five kilometres from the Norwegian border.

Another Soviet column which crossed the border in the Karelia district has occupied Tervola, important Finnish port facing the Gulf of Finland.

Finland Claims Successor

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH".

LONDON, Nov. 30 (Domel).—Helsingfors Radio to-night claimed success in Finland's campaign of resistance against the Soviet invasion.

A broadcast claimed that Finns are resisting the invading forces at various places and have succeeded in beating back most of the invaders into the Soviet territory.

In the districts which have already been captured by Soviet forces, further advances have been checked.

Finland forces in one area destroyed two Soviet tanks.

Soviet Planes Downed

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH".

HELSINGFORS, Nov. 30 (Domel).—The Finnish military command has announced that during the first day of the Soviet invasion four Soviet planes have been shot down by Finnish forces, two over Helsingfors, one over Hangoe Island and another in the Karelian area.

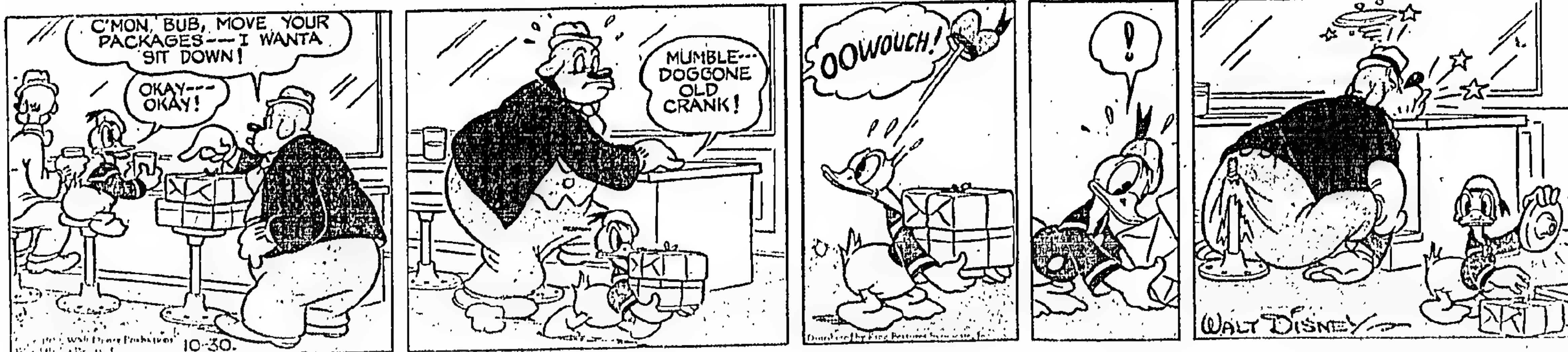
Protest Against Blockade

THE HAGUE, Dec. 1 (Reuter).—The Government has officially protested to Paris against the Allied blockade measures, according to an announcement by the Prime Minister, Dr. de Geer.

It is also officially announced that the Government has energetically protested to Britain.



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### SPOTLIGHT ON GERMANY

#### HITLER LINES UP HIS LINE

Herr Hitler requested newspaper correspondents of neutral countries to make a tour of the Western Front, including the Siegfried Line, because, he said, according to the Berlin correspondent of the Amsterdam "Telegraaf," quoted by Reuters, he wanted to save unnecessary bloodshed.

The tour was to have been made so that the newspaper correspondents could "inform the world on the real state of this modern line of fortifications."

A high German officer, who accompanied the correspondents, told the "Telegraaf" correspondent that Hitler had ordered the tour to be made at once.

The Führer, he said, knew how strong the line was because he himself had planned part of the fortifications. Hitler, he added, knew better than anyone else that an attempt to break through the line would result in hopeless bloodshed. Moreover, he was convinced that the strategic result would be negative to the enemy.

According to the German officer, rumours of defects in the Siegfried line were incorrect.

#### Front Line for Nobles

Proof is accumulating that the greatest care is being taken that aristocrats, monarchists, and all possible future enemies of the Nazi regime shall be placed in the front line where the danger is greatest.

Of four deaths on active service recorded in the "Voelkischer Beobachter," three are those of sons of noble families.

They are Karl Friedrich von Maltzan-Freiherr zu Wartenberg und Penzlin, Gustav Freiherr von Wagner-Weichborn, and Gustav Adolf Graf von der Schulenburg-Altenhausen, a relative of the German Ambassador in Moscow.

#### U-boat "Knights"

The "Illustrierter Beobachter" publishes highly imaginative drawings, with a description of the "Knights" conduct of German U-boat commanders, under the headline, "We Cleanse the Seas of Pirates."

#### Hitler, the Destroyer

A postcard photograph of Hitler, published in Berlin by Heinrich Hoffmann, Hitler's personal photographer and publisher, and issued with Hitler's express approval, contains the following quotation of Hitler's own words:

"The National Socialist movement is therefore not the preserver of the countries of the past, but their liquidator in favour of the Reich of the future."

#### A Washing "Triumph"

The rationing of soap and washing powders, and of coal and other fuel, is so strict that the slightest relaxation of the complicated rules for obtaining a piece of crude washing soap is heralded by the Press as "a great improvement" in the lot of the German housewife.

The latest "triumph" of this kind is the announcement that 500 grammes—1 1/10—of washing powder per month are to be allowed to mothers of children between two and eight years of age.

## Invasion of Finland Provokes Protests RUSSIA CONDEMNED BY ENTIRE WORLD

### HONGKONG'S SMILING G.O.C.



WASHINGTON, Nov. 30 (Reuter).—No event since the war started has so profoundly shocked American opinion as the Soviet invasion of Finland.

Until a late hour last night, Administration officials had refused to believe that the Soviet contemplated military action and were hoping that the United States' offer of its good offices would be accepted.

Official anger has increased by the realization that the invasion is a direct affront to the United States.

#### NEUTRALITY ACT AND RUSSIA

WASHINGTON, Nov. 30 (Reuter).—Questioned about the possibility of the United States applying the provisions of the Neutrality Act to Russia and Finland, Mr. Cordell Hull, the Secretary of State, refused to comment, but said that at some later date he might be able to give reasons for not announcing the decisions immediately, says the "Dow Jones" agency.

#### UNITED STATES

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH" WASHINGTON, Nov. 30 (UP).—Officials view the invasion of Finland gravely but make no comment on the suggestions of Senator Key Pittman and others for a re-examination of relations between the United States and the Soviet Union in view of the developments.

Mr. Cordell Hull, Secretary of State, declines to comment but indicated that no steps will be taken pending further official reports.

Senator William H. King of Utah urged severance of relations with Russia and hoped "that the United States would no longer grasp the bloody hand of Stalin." He criticized the Soviets as a "brutal semi-barbarous land governed by tyrants, seeking the destruction of the liberty of Democratic Governments."

There are indications that President Roosevelt will summon the legislative leaders of both parties for a White House conference on the foreign policy of the United States.

The invasion and air bombing of Finland has fulfilled Washington's worst fears.

President Roosevelt immediately returned from Warm Springs and conferred with Mr. Cordell Hull, the Secretary of State. It is learned that the Finnish Government signified the acceptance of Mr. Roosevelt's good offices, but the Soviets gave intimation that they would reject the offer.

Soon after midnight, urgent cables began pouring into the State Department from diplomats at Moscow, Helsinki and elsewhere, in the Baltic states, all stressing the gravity of the situation. Before day break, dispatches confirming the most pessimistic predictions arrived relating details of the invasion.

The press in the United States sensationally played up the invasion in "extreme" relations with Finland, which were reminiscent of the first days of the war. Editorials and cartoons continued along the lines taken since the Russo-Finnish crisis, holly criticizing Moscow and recalling the fable of the wolf's accusation against the sheep.

#### ITALY

ROME, Nov. 30 (Reuter).—"The tragic development of the Soviet-Finnish tension has aroused a wave of indignation throughout the civilized world," states the "Osservatore Romano," which, after making a strong attack against the Soviet attitude to her northern neighbour, adds: "The fate of the whole of Europe hangs in the balance."

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## PREMIER TELLS OF AGGRESSION

LONDON, Nov. 30 (Reuter).—Mr. Neville Chamberlain to-day made a statement in the House of Commons on the developments in Finland. The statement was made at the request of Mr. Clement Attlee, leader of the Opposition.

The Premier recalled that for some time an exchange of views had been proceeding between the Soviet and Finland on questions mainly of a strategical character, which had been raised by the Soviets.

#### Soviet "Apprehension"

The latter had expressed some apprehension at the proximity of Leningrad to the Finnish frontier (some 100 miles), which indeed was only some 20 miles distant, and a proposal was made for a re-alignment of this part of the frontier in compensation further north.

A claim was also made for the acquisition of certain Finnish islands in the Gulf of Finland and a Finnish port at the entrance of the Gulf in order to secure the position of the Soviet Union in the Gulf.

A further claim was believed to be made for the Finnish side of the Rybach Peninsula overlooking and dominating Finland's sole Arctic port of Petsamo.

Mr. Chamberlain stated that the Soviet Government from the outset was not provocative (cheers), though governed by the determination to do nothing to impair the country's sovereign status.

It was known that the Finnish Note was delivered in Moscow before the rupture of diplomatic relations and that it was most conciliatory in character.

The Finnish Government proposed to submit the dispute to arbitration and offered meanwhile to withdraw their troops from the Finnish frontier in the Karelian Isthmus with the exception of the ordinary frontier guards and customs forces.

Nevertheless on Tuesday night the Soviets denounced the Soviet-Finnish Non-Aggression Pact which had been expressly designed to ensure the settlement of all disputes like this peacefully.

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7.30 London Relay—The News.  
8.00 Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.  
8.05 Next week's programmes.  
8.08 Dance Music.  
8.15 London Relay—"A.R.P. in Burlesque" by Mr. Gillie Potter.  
8.45 Dance Music.  
9.05 Studio—Comments on Recent Events.  
9.08 London Relay—News Summary.  
9.30 A Programme of English Music, Chaconne (Purcell), Society of Ancient Instruments, Nymphs and Shepherds (Purcell), Elsie Suddaby (Soprano), Pomp and Circumstance March No. 4 in G (Elgar), B.B.C. Symphony Orchestra. The Fairy Queen, Three Dances (Purcell), Jacques String Orchestra. La Capricieuse (Elgar, Op. 17), Brownish-Huber (Violin), Spunk Music (Elgar), Peter Dawson (Bass-Baritone), Queen Mary's Song (Elgar), Like To The Damask Rose (Elgar), Light Symphony Orchestra.  
10.00 Studio—"The Beauty of England"—The first of a series of talks by the Very Rev. The Dean of Hongkong.  
10.25 Songs by Dennis Noble (Baritone) Passing By (Purcell), The Gentle Maiden (arr. Somervell), Just Me An' My (arr. Murray).  
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### OUR GUIDE TO THE CINEMAS

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### CAN THE B. B. C. SURVIVE

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mythical figure is the inane school-boy "humour" and does more harm than good.

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**Red Light For Hitler**

IT would serve no useful purpose at this stage to inquire how it comes about that Europe now finds itself committed to a second edition of the Great War. Suffice it to say at the moment that those shallow observers who throw the blame on Hitler and Nazi-ism completely overlook the terrible responsibility of those who allowed those baleful phenomena to arise.

In view of the assiduous propaganda already evident in some pseudo-high-brow quarters, however, it should be clearly stated that Hitlerism has not been due to the Versailles Peace Treaty, but, on the contrary, to the amazing failure to enforce its terms. All this talk of over-throwing Hitlerism is beside the point, and curiously paradoxical under the guise of democratic action.

Neither we nor anybody else have any moral or historical right to dictate to the German people, or anybody else, under what form of government they must choose to exist. Our right is strictly limited to ensuring that the one European community that has disturbed the peace of our continent for the past century shall never again be permitted to make itself an international nuisance.

Some of the military pundits have been explaining how we are now encountering an entirely new kind of war. This assertion is based on the fact that in these days war is no longer confined to actual fighting between the armed forces of belligerent nations, but that it brings right into the arena both the economic and political factors.

Actually the only change between modern and past warfare, however, is that up-to-date equipment to a certain extent intensifies the latter factors as ponderable issues.

The economic and the political factors have always, since the bloodshot dawn of human antagonisms, played their part in conflicts between peoples. Siege warfare is as old as stone walls, and siege warfare is mainly economic and political in its impingement. In fact we may truly say that the more the dreary business of warfare changes, the more it remains the same. There is certainly nothing newer than Ancient Greece in an attempt to starve an enemy into subjection, or even in trying to upset his morale by pamphlet propaganda.

But an economic siege can be terribly exhausting to a nation like Germany, and if the slow attrition of economic warfare does not suit Germany's masters, it will be up to them to try to break out of their cage.



B.B.C. BLACK-OUT

# The Russian Riddle Solved

BY  
W. N. EWER

EVERY morning brings me letters about Russia. Many are hot with indignation against Stalin. Many are not with indignation that anyone should doubt either his integrity or his supreme wisdom.

But most, I think, are puzzled. How is it that the peace-loving Soviet Union, with no territorial ambitions, pledged to the struggle against Nazism, pledged to aid all victims of aggression, should suddenly do this thing?

It does not seem to make sense. Not the most ingenious arguments of Western Communists can make it make sense.

Clearly there is something wrong somewhere. Fact and theory clash nonsensically. The evidence clashes with assumptions.

Since facts are facts, the assumptions must be wrong. We have to abandon the theory that Stalin's policy has been based on opposition to Nazism, aggression and war.

What then has it been? Is there an answer to that which will fit with the facts, which will make sense instead of nonsense and mere melodramatic villainy out of this year's happenings?

I think there is. The answer is this:

That Josef Stalin (whatever he was in youth) is to-day an Imperialist. His desire is not for the welfare of the Soviet peoples, but for the power, the aggrandisement, the expansion of the State over which he rules as Autocrat.

Look back and see how the theme of power has for some years run through the speech of the men around him. As the "old Bolsheviks" have passed, the new Bolsheviks have changed its language, its manners, its mode of thought: like Jacobinism turning into Bonapartism.

Stalin's hero—an official hero of the new Bolshevism—is Peter the Great: the Tsar who began Russia's expansion westward, subdued the Ukraine and conquered the Baltic States.

For Stalin, disciple of Peter the Great rather than of Lenin, the recovery of Russia's lost provinces has been an increasing purpose.

Little enough was said about it: for it was politic not to reveal such ambitions while there was no chance of fulfilling them, and a possibility that the revolution might unite Europe in opposition to them.

Last September came the first frontal attack. The Maginot Line will welcome such efforts with a terrible ovation. The Nazi theory of Blitzkrieg condemns them to face that music, or endure the economic and political hazards of a long-drawn war. If they think of trying air frightfulness as a last desperate remedy, well, while their efforts must be divided between two objectives—Paris and London—the Franco-British bombers will be concentrating on Berlin.

Hitlerism already has its back to the wall—and Germany itself may yet supply the firing squads.

unwilling to pay the price; for the meaning of these demands was only too clear. And on these crucial points the negotiations had deadlocked.

That same price—recognition of Russia's "sphere of influence" in the Baltic States, agreement to her occupation of Eastern Poland in the event of war—Germany was ready to pay for Soviet neutrality and Soviet friendship.

The bargain was struck. The negotiation with Britain and France was broken off. The pact with Germany was signed.

I do not think Stalin realised that this meant war. I think he expected a "second Munich," the abandonment of Poland by the Western Powers, and a "peaceful settlement" in which the Soviet Union would quietly take its share—as Hungary had taken its share of Czechoslovakia.

I do not think he expected either war or the swift military collapse of Poland.

At the last moment he had to move very quickly for fear lest his new ally might double-cross him. I suspect that there is a certain anxiety in the Kremlin at the way in which things have developed.

But that is another story. The point I want to put to my puzzled correspondents is this:

If you think of Stalin as a new Peter the Great whose guiding purpose is to restore to Russia the territory she lost after the Revolution, then all his actions make sense. The whole thing becomes understandable.

But if you reject this explanation (and there is much subsidiary evidence for it which would take too long to expound) then you must find another one which will fit the facts and not land you in contradictions and absurdities.

## GRIN AND BEAR IT By Lichty



## Can The B. B. C. SURVIVE

By SPIKE HUGHES

WHEN questions are asked in Parliament, not about B.B.C. policy, but about B.B.C. programmes, then I ask myself: Can the Corporation survive the war?

So long as the war continues the B.B.C. will continue to exist, of course, as an instrument of national information and propaganda. But when the war ends the B.B.C. will have served its purpose in this capacity, and I am very doubtful whether anybody will have much use for it then.

For years the B.B.C. failed to court the theatre and the film industry. It adopted a high-brow attitude instead of making every effort to co-operate, muttering that radio publicity more than made up for low fees.

If the B.B.C. had behaved better towards the other two branches of the entertainment business, the outbreak of war would have found the theatre and the film offering everything they had to broadcasting.

For a week there were no cinemas open. The B.B.C. could have given the people the best Ersatz for the real thing that has yet been invented: the radio version of films.

In its repertory the B.B.C. Variety Department has "Top Hat," "Alexander's Ragtime Band," "Congress Dances," "Sunnyside Up," "Forty Second Street," "Shall We Dance?" and "Gold Diggers of 1935"—enough to broadcast just one every other day for a fortnight.

But the man who produces and adapts these shows is sitting at the B.B.C. in London twiddling his thumbs.

As long ago as last April the B.B.C. started to form a shadow repertory company for war-time broadcasting. Hitherto it has been the privilege of the critic to complain of the cliquishness of the B.B.C., and one was reproved by listeners for writing about purely internal matters.

Now these internal matters have come out into the open. The public has noticed that the repertory company has all the appearance of having been not so much engaged as "invited" to join the happy B.B.C. family party "somewhere" in England.

Apart from suggesting that every regular broadcaster could have been cross-examined months ago, I suppose that is why many unemployed and not-yet-approved artists are now able to sit at home and hear their records being broadcast while they themselves are barred.

There is every good reason for the part-evacuation of the B.B.C., but that is no reason for closing Broadcasting House, with its deep basement studios and gas-proof doors, to those artists who were unlucky enough not to be invited to join the repertory company.

"If soldiers at the front can run the risk of being bombed," said one artist to me yesterday, "then why should we ask for special protection?"

Meanwhile, I have learned the following about the B.B.C.'s wartime manners:

A concern, which in peace-time puts out sponsored programmes, offered it the use of its recorded transmissions of all-star programmes. This concern has not yet received a reply.

A well-known producer has been sent back to London, his production this week taken over by a junior. The senior producer is now in "C" category—at liberty to find another job if he can.

Sandy Macpherson, not long ago one of the most popular of all broadcasters, admits to me that he now receives abusive letters because he has to broadcast so much.

The entertainment side of the Corporation is so out of touch with public feeling that we are given memories of 1914, and jokes about Hitler. This attempt to build up Hitler as a PLEASE Turn To Page 2.



# DALADIER DEMANDS AND IS GIVEN WIDER EMERGENCY POWERS

## Nazis Arrest British Women in Berlin

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

BERLIN, Nov. 30, (UP).—It is learned that the police, during the last few nights, have arrested more British women who will not be released until the Foreign Office has ascertained whether or not German women have been arrested in England.

A few Australian women were similarly arrested for the same reason, but were later released.

About 100 Britons and 120 Frenchmen are interned. Nine Egyptians who acquired British citizenship from their fathers, but who do not speak English, were recently released.

Meanwhile, about 20 Consular officials are being held for exchange with German Consular officials.

### Reds Rounded-Up

BELGRADE, Nov. 30, (UP).—Fifty Communist students have been arrested at the Belgrade University, which has been closed for one month, following a riot of 1,000 Nationalists and Communists. Many were injured.

There has been similar disorders at Zagreb and other points.

## Extraordinary Chamber Voting

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

PARIS, Nov. 30 (UP).—In a speech before the Chamber of Deputies to-day, M. Daladier said: "It is impossible to continue my task," unless Parliament grants an extension of the emergency powers to enable the Government to rule by decree.

Previously, the Army Committee favourably reported on the Government's project, but the Finance Committee voted counter to the project, limiting the powers to the duration of the war, and emphasizing that the provision must be ratified within one month, thus insuring direct Parliamentary influence over national defence.

The Chamber almost unanimously applauded the later proposal indicating that they are overwhelmingly favourable to a limited duration; however, M. Daladier rejected the Finance Committee's measure and accepted that of the Army. He stressed that he was willing to limit the emergency powers to the duration of the war, but refused the 30 day ratification limitation.

### "We Are At War"

He said, "We are at war. The Government must have exceptional powers to enable us to act rapidly and effectively against the enemy."

The Chamber, despite M. Daladier's objections, suspended the session at 6.40 p.m. They seek a compromise because of the fears that a Cabinet crisis in wartime might be exploited by the enemy and harm the morale of the nation and the Army.

M. Herriot, President of the Chamber of Deputies; M. Blum, Vice-President of the Chamber, and the Finance Committee reported that M. Robert Schuman, President of the Commission of Alsace-Lorraine, has been designated by the Committee to seek a compromise text which would be acceptable to M. Daladier, and to avoid a vote which would be likely to risk the Cabinet.

### Chamber Adjourns

The Chamber of Deputies adjourned without voting full powers to M. Daladier.

### Confusing Situation

PARIS, Nov. 30 (UP).—The Chamber of Deputies by a vote of 319 to 176 today voted in favour of the emergency powers which have been proposed by the Committee to ratify within a month except when Parliament is in recess, in which case they will be submitted at the next session.

The Chamber session was resumed after the rejection of the Finance Committee's Bill. The situation is confused because the Chamber voted full powers to M. Daladier, although the Committee's own spokesman, M. Robert Schuman, repudiated the bill after M. Daladier had put the question to a vote of confidence.

The Chamber first rejected the Finance Committee's Bill and then adopted the Army Committee's text with which M. Daladier agreed.

## How Blockade Will Hurt Nazis

Reduce Exports By 45 Per Cent.

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Nov. 30 (Reuter).

The "Financial News" estimates that the effect of the British and French export ban on Germany will reduce German exports by \$90,000,000, calculated at 17 marks to a pound.

This total will comprise £11,000,000 of coal and coke, £4,500,000 of textiles, £5,000,000 of paper and paper goods, £20,000,000 of chemicals, £7,500,000 of iron and steel, £14,000,000 of tools and iron ware, £21,000,000 of machinery and £20,000,000 of vehicles and ships.

This amounts to 45 per cent. of German exports and constitutes a complete refutation of Dr. Funk's emphatic statement two months ago that Germany would be able to maintain 80 per cent. of the pre-war exports, thus securing sufficient foreign exchange to finance the whole of the reduced supply of imports which Germany is physically unable to secure.

The Annual Speech Day of the Central British School will be held in the Main Hall on Friday, Dec. 8 at 6.45 p.m.

His Honour Mr. Justice Lindell has kindly consented to give away the prizes.

## BRITISH COLLIER IS SUNK

But Two U-Boats Are Claimed In Revenge

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Nov. 30 (UP).—The British collier Sheaf Crest (2,730 tons) was mined and sunk in the North Sea this forenoon.

Fifteen survivors have landed in a lifeboat and fifteen more have been picked up, many of them seriously injured.

### 29 Survivors Landed

NEWCASTLE, Dec. 1 (Reuter).—A Newcastle steamer, Sheaf Forest, 2,730 tons, was mined off the south-east coast.

Twenty-nine survivors were landed, several being injured.

### Destroyer Sinks U-Boat

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

PARIS, Nov. 30 (UP).—It is officially announced that a French destroyer sank a German submarine in an undisclosed area.

### Nazi Submarine Attacked

PARIS, Dec. 1 (Reuter).—A communiqué issued here to-day reports the usual activity of our patrols.

One of our torpedo boats successfully attacked an enemy submarine.

### U-Boat Survivors

LONDON, Dec. 1 (Reuter).—Survivors of the 2,500-ton U-boat, the freighter which was sunk by a U-boat on Tuesday, were landed at an English port yesterday from a French destroyer.

The master of the steamer stated that when the submarine failed in its attempt to torpedo the ship, the U-boat commander brought her to the surface and shelled the steamer for over two hours, not desisting even while the crew were taking to the boats.

She finally sank after she had been set on fire from end to end.

## Robbed Of His Foreign Coins

A.B. Is Victimised Aboard Warship

The whole of his collection of 50 foreign coins was lost by Able Seaman George Warton when a box on board one of the warships in the Central Magistrate this morning.

Yung was charged with theft of two silver spoons, a watch fob, a metal bangle, 10 copper coins, 90 assorted foreign coins and a fountain pen. Leung and Liu were charged with aiding and abetting.

Sub-Insp. W. Dorkin said Yung took advantage of the absence of the crew on board the warship to break open Warton's box and take the articles. All were recovered.

Defendants were fined \$20 or a month's hard labour. His Worship ordered the sum of \$1 found in second defendant's possession to be given to the complainant as part compensation.

## Foreign Holdings In U.S. Decline

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

WASHINGTON, Nov. 30 (Reuter).

The Treasury reveals a world-wide reduction of holdings of American securities by \$16,540,000 during August, making a cumulative decrease of \$45,000,000 since January 1.

Of the total reduction, Britain was responsible for \$1,285,000, France \$1,254,000 and Germany \$583,000.

## ANOTHER C.P.R. LINER TAKEN OVER

Word has been received that another stately 26,000-ton Canadian Pacific liner, has been commandeered by the Admiralty. She is now in Vancouver.

Another Empress having been commandeered here, the C.P.S. Company now has only the older Empresses to maintain the Pacific service. These ships saw service in the last war as auxiliary cruisers.

When the present war is over all four ships will thus have served the Empire as actively in war as in peace.

## Japanese Offer To Chinese Seamen

## Repatriation And No Molestation

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

BUENOS AIRES, Nov. 30 (UP).—The Japanese consul to-day told the press that he has offered to repatriate aboard Japanese ships the 108 Chinese crewmen who are refusing to complete their voyage aboard German ships.

He promised that the men will not be molested in any way, and pointed out that the campaign in China is directed against the Chinese Government and not the people, hence there is no reason for retaliation against the seamen.

However, the final decision whether the men shall be repatriated aboard the La Plata Maru which is sailing on December 2, or to permit them to remain pending the sailing of a neutral ship for a Chinese port, rests with the Government.

### To Return On Japanese Ship

BUENOS AIRES, Nov. 30 (UP).—The Federal Court has disregarded the writ of habeas corpus in favour of the Chinese seamen who refused to continue service on German ships and has decided that they should be returned to China on the La Plata Maru, a Japanese vessel.

## Warships Take Refuge

British Vessels In Norwegian Port

OSLO, Nov. 30 (Reuter).—The Norwegian naval authorities announce that two British warships and a damaged British submarine put in at the Norwegian coast near Stavanger, pleading stress of weather and damage.

First a British cruiser arrived at 7 a.m., being followed two hours later by the other warship and the submarine.

The Norwegian authorities sent planes and coastguards to inspect the British ships for damage.

### No Connection

LONDON, Nov. 30 (Reuter).—It is announced that there is no connection between the putting-in into Norway of two British warships and a submarine, and reports of the naval battle near Norway between warships and aeroplanes.

### Vessels Leave

STAVANGER, Dec. 1 (Reuter).—The two British destroyers which arrived at Mastrandfjorden with a submarine have left Norwegian waters.

The submarine was taken to a shipyard here for repair.

## CHILDREN WHO WON'T EAT

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## BRITISH MERCHANT SHIPPING LOSSES

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Nov. 30, (Reuter).—Authoritative quarters give the following figures of the losses of British merchant shipping engaged in trade:

## Air Raid Over Scotland

Nazi Machines Are Driven Off

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Nov. 30 (UP).—Four German reconnaissance planes flew over the East Coast of Scotland to-day, and two Heinkel bombers were sighted in the region of the Firth of Forth.

Royal Air Force fighting planes are reported to have fought off the invaders.

Two German planes were also sighted further north and were also driven off by the Royal Air Force.

### German Plane Shot Down

LONDON, Dec. 1 (Reuter).—It is officially announced that two British aircraft overtook and shot down a German seaplane on November 29 over the North Sea.

A Norwegian ship rescued the crew of the Dornier.

### Enemy Encountered

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Nov. 30 (UP).—It is officially announced that two R.A.F. fighter planes encountered enemy planes north of the Firth of Forth this morning and drove them off after firing a number of rounds.

During a North Sea patrol last Wednesday, two R.A.F. planes overtook and shot down a German Dornier seaplane. The crew were picked up by a Norwegian ship.

## 'Don't Send Me To Shanghai'

Austrian Jew's Plea To Magistrate

"Send me anywhere but please don't send me back to Shanghai; it is impossible to live there without employment," said Hans George Stern, a 20-year-old Austrian Jew, when he faced Mr. Himsforth with tears in his eyes at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning.

Stern was charged with stowing away on a Dutch ship from Shanghai to Hongkong and entering the country without a passport. He was bound over on \$25 on the first count. In spite of his plea an expulsion order was made for defendant to be sent back to Shanghai.

The police said defendant was found among the deck passengers soon after the ship left Shanghai. He was known in Hongkong.

## BUFFETED BY TYPHOON

French Liner To H.K. In Gale

With several life-boats and super-structure smashed when she was buffeted by an unreported typhoon on her way to Hongkong from Saigon, a luxury French liner arrived more than 24 hours into this morning.

The liner has one gun mounted forward and on the poop as well as two anti-aircraft guns.

Prompt action by the Commander of the vessel avoided injury to passengers, when mountainous seas crashed over the bow.

The typhoon was not reported from Manila or Pratas Island.

## Britain And Japan

New Speculation By The "China Press"

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

SHANGHAI, Nov. 30 (UP).—The "China Press," an English language newspaper has reported that the British Ambassador, Sir Archibald Clark Kerr, said he had no talks of importance with representatives of other Powers in China recently.

The "China Press" said that foreign circles held that they believed Sir Archibald's statement also means that future relations between third Powers and Japan are being left largely in the hands of Washington.

### Denial Of Tokyo Report

The paper said that following the Japanese reports last week that Sir Archibald was engaged, or was about to be engaged in a conference with the Japanese authorities on questions of far-reaching importance, foreign sources here declared they would be surprised, since Great Britain is more than occupied in Europe, and the British case in China could be left standing for some time.

Tokyo reports that Great Britain is willing to hand the Tientsin return to the Japanese authorities in silver for a removal of the Japanese blockade of the British Concession, was promptly denied by local British circles.

## Easing Press Censorship

Colonial Secretary Makes Statement

LONDON, Nov. 30 (Reuter).—There is some censorship of the Press in almost all Colonies, though the exact degree and method varied, declared Mr. Malcolm MacDonald, the Colonial Secretary, in the House of Commons to-day.

Press matter sent from Britain to the Colonies is censored in the United Kingdom.

"Representations made to me question the double censorship, and I am consulting other departments concerned with a view to seeing what relaxation is practicable," said Mr. MacDonald.

"There is no censorship in Britain of press matter from the Colonies, either by cable or mail, though telegrams received by press Agencies, if connected with the war, are subject for censorship before issuing."



# "Captain Foster's" Racing Review

## CLANS' MEET AT HAPPY VALLEY

### Interesting And Close Competition Expected At To-Morrow's Races

THERE WAS NO CELEBRATION of St. Andrew's ball this year on account of the War, but I fully expect to see all the clans turning up to-morrow in full force at the St. Andrew's Race Meeting, which is, no doubt, the major event of their annual outdoor sports.

Although no Scottish reels or exhibition dances will be permitted on the lawns, the band together with the pipers and drummers of the Royal Scots will enliven the meeting with the old familiar Highland airs and tunes. First saddling bell will, as usual, be rung at 1.30 p.m. sharp.

The main event on the card will be the St. Andrew's Stakes, a handicap endurance contest for China ponies; and the jaunt is over the Derby course.

It is interesting to recall that this race was inaugurated four years earlier than the Hongkong St. Leger run in 1926, and it is, therefore, the oldest Autumn classic event. In 1922, the late Hon. Mr. A. G. Stephen, who was then the President of the St. Andrew's Society, and a keen racing owner, kindly donated a handsome silver cup to the winner and, of course, this good sporting example was followed up by all the successive Chieftains.

It has been an established procedure for the President of the St. Andrew's Society of the ensuing year to present the trophy to the successful owner immediately after the race, and to-morrow Dr. G. D. R. Black, who is the Chieftain, will have the honour of doing the presentation in the Stewards' Room.

NO SCOTTISH WINNERS  
The first St. Andrew's Cup was captured by Spotted Sand, owned by Mr. A. M. L. Soares and ridden by his son Mr. F. M. L. Soares. Strange to say, that no Scottish owner has as yet figured among the list of winners, but the late Mr. R. M. Austin's Brigade Bull nearly landed a coup, for his chestnut gelding was beaten on the post by Mr. Ho Kong-tong's City Hall by a short head.

There are the usual eight events on the card, but a most interesting feature of the programme is that the first and second sections of the Gallowgate Handicap for "D" class China ponies will be ridden by novices. Never in the annals of extra meetings has such consideration been extended to "red-letters" jockeys and it will not surprise one to see big dividends in these two events.

### GLASGOW HANDICAP

#### Diogenes' Limit Load

THE opening contest will be the Glasgow Handicap for China ponies among the last line of defence, and the sprint is over six furlongs. The provision, "Ponies that have won more than \$500 in stakes since January 1, 1939, barred" has only been able to draw 14 entries, and we have certainly a nice bunch of "stewed" racers. The post of honour has fallen on Diogenes, who was recently demoted to this class ("B"), but I am afraid that the blackie is not strong enough to shoulder the limit load. However, my best three are King's Parade, Palmer and Smiling Time, the last being my minion and the pony will be ridden by Mr. C. Encarnacao.

### LANARK HANDICAP

#### Distribution of Weight

WE should see a good event in the Lanark Handicap for Australian ponies of any season that have not won more than two races since January, and the trip is over the mile course. Should anyone make an attempt to follow up the handicapper's line of conduct in the distribution of the lead allotted to A Great Time and Baffin Bay, one may not find a clear course, but perhaps there was some reason in the adjustment.

When they clashed in the Ballarat Handicap over a mile on October 21, A Great Time, who was third, conceded 10 lbs. to the fourth pony, Baffin Bay. In a subsequent outing the latter annexed the Fremantle St. Leger, but A Great Time was not a combatant. However, they meet to-morrow on the same level, and surely the weighing machine should favour A Great Time. Whether he will win, it is another question. Among the three aired by Double Court, Double Finesse should give a good account of herself, for the

### The Fanling Hunt Opening Meet

The Opening Meet of the Fanling Hunt will be held at Tien Ping Shan on Sunday, when Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Stanton will also be "At Home". Lines will be laid by Major H. H. M. Oliver.

length of the sprint is to her liking. Derby Day does not like a mile run while Centre Court, I think, is not yet ready.

### A GOOD MILER

COCKLEROI looks good because he is a good miler, and the mule is well in on the handicap. Snowy River was given a sharp spin over a mile last Saturday, and with Mr. Encarnacao (who times to perfection) in the saddle, the combine must certainly impress the early risers. I prefer to see the cream mare over a long course, and it may be of interest to know that Snowy River is now over 11 years.

Candlelight has not yet found a jockey, but I hope that the owner will be able to get one who can do the weight. In his last outing the pony carried 15 lbs. overweight, and there was no justification to shoulder the extra lead. For a long shot I recommend Janber, who is now stretching out more freely.

### ST. ANDREW'S STAKES

#### Disappointing Entries

WITH the elimination of "A" class China ponies coupled with the winner (Evo of Harvest) of 1939 St. George's Plate, the entries for the St. Andrew's Stakes have been disappointing, there being only ten nominations as against 15 steeds of last year. Once again there is no nomination from Scotch owners, but Mr. "Wea" Donald Black will be up on Avon belonging to Sir Vandeleur Grayburn, and without prejudice the combination is attempting to win out of the distance.

I am glad, however, to see the entry of Red Feather, who, it will be remembered, captured the St. Andrew's cup on two consecutive occasions for her former owner Mrs. L. Dunbar. This bay pony has been the property of Miss Li Po-chun for over a few months, in fact the young sprinter has had a success, and it looks that Miss Li's chance is very rosy.

The order of the finish of last year's run was Red Feather carrying 156 lbs., New Star 140 lbs., and Moonlight View 150 lbs., whereas to-morrow Red Feather has to shoulder three pounds more.

### PENALTY OF SUCCESS

BOTH New Star and Moonlight View have been penalised 12 lbs. extra on account of their various successes during the season and in the circumstances the weight adjuster has kindly treated Red Feather (to be ridden by Mr. Neada), who can last the Derby course of 1½ miles.

Mr. Eu Tong-sen has nominated Blue Express and Rose Emily, and whichever Mr. Encarnacao weights out must be the cream of the stable. I have reason to predict that the jockey will give preference to Rose Emily, because the mare annexed the Hongkong Griffins Cup on October 21, not only with a few pounds to spare, but also in fine style.

Of Mr. Bradbury's outfit Mr. Sung is definitely riding Lilliber, whose last successful outing in the Sussex Handicap over six furlongs was founded every critic. There is just one "it" about this mare. Can Lilliber stay the Derby course? She gave a miss to the 1½ meeting as the owner wanted to have a "go" at

## SERVICES HOCKEY TRIAL



Another scene at the bye-day in ceiling of the Fanling Hunt last Sunday. The Opening Meet will be held this Sunday at Tien Ping Shan.—Ming Yuen.

### Rifle Shooting

## FAR EASTERN TROPHY MATCH ON WEDNESDAY

SEVENTY MEMBERS were present at Wednesday's spoon and practice shoot of the Hongkong Rifle Association. The wind was variable and consequently scores were not very high.

Sgt. F. E. Russell (H.K.C.P.) tied with C/Sgt. P. Hale on points but was placed higher for securing the better score at the longest range.

On Wednesday Hongkong will fire against Ceylon and Singapore Rifle Associations for the Far East Trophy. Teams of 10 compete in each class, the eight highest aggregate scores being counted. Ranges are 200, 300 and 600 yards.

The Silver Challenge Trophy is at present held by Federated Malay States, who cannot compete this year as the members are too scattered. In the Bellows shield the Royal Engineers won the match with Middlesex, who were generally expected to win. It was a close fight, only 18 points separating the teams. At 200 yards scores were level, the Engineers led by four at 300 and at 600 increased the lead by 14.

Leading scores on Wednesday:

S. R. (B)	200	300	600	Tot.
Sgt. F. E. Russell (Ser.)	34	34	34	102
C/Sgt. P. Hale (Ser.)	34	34	34	102
H. L. Langley (2)	32	33	31	96
W. Trenchard (4)	30	31	34	95
Lt. A. J. Le Belleur (Ser.)	32	32	30	94
Lt. Sgt. R. C. Ho (2)	30	33	30	93
C. Chan (4)	31	31	31	93
S. Ines, C. C. Chau (Ser.)	29	33	30	92
Sgt. G. J. F. Carey (Ser.)	31	27	33	91
Lt. Sgt. R. H. Thomas (Ser.)	32	21	38	91
Lt. C. W. J. Gash (5)	29	31	31	91
Lt. C. E. O'way (Ser.)	28	30	32	90
W. K. Kilburn (4)	37	29	24	90
P.S.M. W. Cooper (Ser.)	28	31	30	89
A. F. Evans (2)	29	31	28	88
C/Sgt. S. G. Bright (5)	28	31	28	87
Pte. L. J. Groom (5)	28	32	28	88
Lt. Cpl. G. H. Morton (3)	30	30	28	88
Capt. F. Sale (4)	29	30	28	87

S. R. (A)	200	300	600	Tot.
Pte. J. Scott (7)	29	30	31	90
Pte. R. Bullen (3)	27	33	27	87
C.S.M. F. Malet (3)	27	31	29	87
Lt. Sgt. N. L. Pan (7)	25	28	32	85
W. K. Gilman (4)	27	27	31	85
M. S. Croft (3)	30	28	26	84
Lt. R. Langford (Ser.)	31	25	28	84
Lt. Sgt. W. Kilburn (4)	27	27	30	84
Sgt. E. W. Ailo (5)	25	29	24	81
Lt. C. J. Berry (7)	25	28	27	80
Cpl. J. Plummer (12)	27	26	26	79
Lt. Sgt. W. Henderson (5)	28	26	24	78
Lt. C. W. Little (12)	23	27	27	77
Pte. D. Doherty (10)	23	27	27	77
Boy. F. Ward (5)	27	26	24	77

winner of handicap spoon.

Winner of (A) or (B) will have his handicap reduced by one point.

the cup, and all I can say is that Lilliber is looking extremely well.

### GORBALS HANDICAP

#### Six Furlongs' Scramble

WE shall not only see a big field in the Gorbals Handicap (first section) for "C" class China ponies, but a fine scramble too over six furlongs. Blue Diamond, Musketeer and Pin-farthings are at the top of the assessment, and they have to open up "full speed ahead" to stop the low weights such as Galveston Bay, National Pride, the two Roses and Taxing Master.

When Blue Diamond dead-headed with Taxing Master in the Austin Handicap for first place, the latter was conceding six pounds of the lead, but in the next two outings Mr. George Brayfield's candidate finished in the ruck, and Blue Diamond annexed the Shum Chun Handicap in easy fashion. To-morrow Taxing Master has a pull of 10 lbs. against Blue Diamond, and taking everything in the balance the difference of weights is too much against the "precious stone" equine race.

### GALLOWGATE H'CAP

#### Novices' Opportunity

THERE is a good opportunity for the novices to show off

### Services' Eleven Selected

Following the game, the following side was selected: Lt. Baines (Navy), goal; Datta Ram (Rajputana Rifles) and Lt. Mars (Navy) (full-backs; Sgt. Crowley (Middlesex), Lt. Hook (R.A.), and Lt. Cdr. Corrie Hill (Navy) half-backs; Shah Wali (Rajputana Rifles), E. K. A. Gemmell (Navy), Lt. Eritan Nath (Rajputana Rifles), Nerrala Singh (Kumaon Rifles), and Partab Singh (Kumaon Rifles). Reserves—Sgt. Bartlett (R.A.F.) forward; Cpl. Austen (R.C. Signals) half-back; Lt. Gunnar (Navy) full-back. Empire, Warrent Officer Vickers, R.E.

### Golf Starting Times For Fanling

The following golf starting times for Fanling have been arranged by the Hong Kong Golf Club for Sunday:

#### OLD COURSE

9.15	A. K. Mackenzie, D. J. Gilmore.
9.20	D. S. Edwards, D. S. Robb.
9.25	T. A. Pearce, C. C. Worrall.
9.30	E. Lissman, T. Smith.
9.35	F. D. Hunter, A. McKellar.
9.40	Col. Rose, G. M. Park.
9.45	W. A. Redmond, R. R. Andrews.
9.50	Surg. Cdr. Nicholson, R. Young.
9.55	H. H. Murray, J. W. Clapham.
10.00	W. A. Redmond, R. R. Andrews.
10.05	S. H. Dorewell, T. E. Pearce.
10.10	Comdr. Hole, C. C. Stark.
10.15	Mrs. K. Walker, C. C. Jackson.
10.20	J. M. Wylie, A. Kennedy.
10.25	H. H. Murray, E. J. Faggiano.
10.30	H. C. Stewart, F. A. M. Elliott.
10.35	Capt. Ande, Comdr. Murray.
10.40	A. V. Greaves, J. W. Mayhew.
10.45	M. Pollock, E. Norris.
10.50	E. Mackenzie, H. Overy.
10.55	Lt. R. Cramer, W. G. Robertson.
11.00	A. N. & Q. A. A. MacLachlan.
11.05	C. C. Goldner, R. R. Andrews.
11.10	T. Mackenzie, D. M. MacDougal.
11.15	J. M. Pearson, E. G. Price.
11.20	A. Redmond, R. R. Andrews.
11.25	W. Woodward, A. Nicol.
11.30	T. Rutlin, R. A. Alexander.
11.35	H. H. Murray, H. G. Sheldon.
11.40	A. M. Mack, M. G. Carruthers.
11.45	C. E. Everett, F. Phillips.
11.50	J. Storer, F. Groves.

#### NEW COURSE

9.20	J. Linaker, H. J. D. Lowe.
9.25	M. D. Cooper, A. Howard.
9.30	M. K. Littlejohn, J. G. Campbell.
9.35	P. S. Delany, E. T. McMullen.
9.40	Mrs. Selby, Miss Cuthbertson.
9.45	Mrs. Goldner, Miss Cuthbertson.
9.50	Mrs. Mackenzie, Mrs. Hunter.
9.55	Forbes, L. Strelitz.
10.00	W. N. A. & Mrs. Snailley.
10.05	Mrs. R. C. Stewart, Mrs. Steele.
10.10	Peris.
10.15	Mrs. Dennis, Mrs. Collins.
10.20	Mrs. Mackenzie, Mrs. Overy.
10.25	Sir Vandeleur & Miss Grayburn.
10.30	P. B. Winter, Miss Vickers.
10.35	C. Young, W. Leath.
10.40	Mrs. Woodward, Mrs. Nicol.
10.45	Capt. Macpherson, Capt. Harvey.
10.50	Capt. Helby, Major Worrack.
10.55	Capt. Tracy, Capt. Worrack.
11.00	Capt. Hyde, Capt. Brown.

Unsuccessful in ballot on Old Course.

their true colours in the first leg of the daily double event, which is on the first section of the Gallowgate Handicap for "D" class China ponies, and it is going to be a fine scurry from the 1½ mile post (about half mile 160 yards). Much depends upon the start, and in the circumstance anything may happen.

The handicapper has assigned 15 steeds to this division, and a glimpse over the entries seems to suggest

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### Strong Side Selected At Sookunpoo

THE COMBINED SERVICES held a hockey trial at Sookunpoo yesterday, and following the game the representative side was selected. The play was interesting, the outstanding feature of which was the combination of the All-Indian forward line of the Probables who scored six times without reply.

Of the defences, Datta Ram, left, and Gunnar and Mars (right) were staunch, and gave sound displays. The first named was brilliant at times, and cleared on several occasions with an excellently reversed stick. With the exception of Hook, centre, and Gussain Singh, right, the halves were only fair, though Harris and Austen, left, and Rust, centre, worked hard. The best work of all, perhaps, was seen in the forward lines.

Gemmell, inside-right, was very dangerous in possession and, individually, was as good if not better than Indarjit Singh, Probables' inside-right. Together with Harvey, who led Possibles' attack, they constituted the greatest menace to Probables' citadel. Shan Wali and Indarjit Singh, Probables' right-wing combination, combined as effectively as the Nerrala Singh-Partab Singh partnership, but they did not always get away with the ball. Shah Wali and Indarjit Singh were considerably hampered in the first half by the spoiling tactics of Austen, who clung tenaciously to the left-centre of the field and who wrecked the majority of movements on his wing.

The game was fast throughout and the ball swung from wing to wing in some lovely passing bouts, both lines excelling.

The teams lined up as follows: Probables—E. Gunnar (R.A.C.C.), Cdr. Corrie Hill (Navy), Datta Ram (Rajputana), Sgt. Crowley (Middlesex), Lt. Hook (R.A.), F. O. W. Harris (Navy), Shah Wali (Rajputana), Lt. Indarjit Singh (Rajputana), Lt. Partab Singh (Rajputana), Nerrala Singh (Kumaon), Partab Singh (Kumaon). Possibles—No goalkeeper; Lt. Gunnar (Navy), Lt. Mars (Navy), Gussain Singh (Kumaon), Lt. Cdr. Rust (Navy), Cpl. Austen (Signals), Lt. Cdr. Finney (Navy), E. R. A. Gemmell (Navy), Major Harvey (R.A.M.C.), Sgt. Howe (R.A.F.), Cpl. Pennington (R.A.F.).

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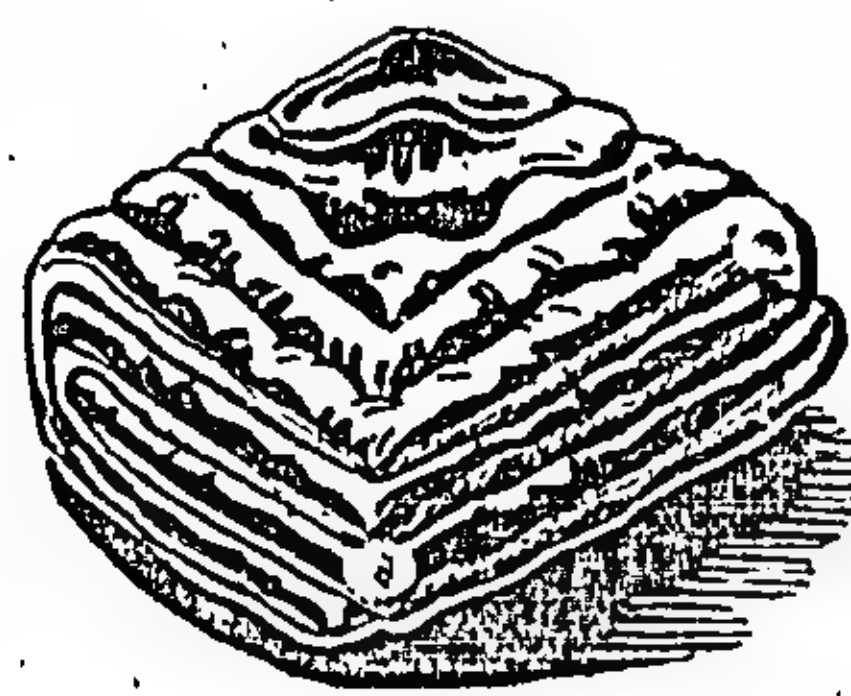
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## Effects Of First Eleven Weeks Of War

## GERMANY'S FEARFUL ECONOMIC POSITION

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

BERLIN, Nov. 30 (UP).—Eleven weeks of war have given Germany's economic machinery a severe jolt, but have not thrown it out of gear.

The major effects of the first weeks of hostilities have been:

1. Roughly 50 per cent. of Germany's foreign trade has been cut off.
2. Industry has been slowed up by the closing of some factories and the restriction in production in many others.
3. Approximately one million men have been thrown out of work through the slow-up of industry.
4. Retail trade has fallen off by more than 50 per cent.

One of the most significant facts disclosed in a survey of Germany's position is the revelation that, except for butter and other fats, her food supply has not thus far been threatened.

## Enormous Food Reserves

Germany has enormous food reserves and for months, perhaps years, she will be able to continue importing from Scandinavian states, southern Europe, Russia and Italy most of the foodstuffs which she cannot herself produce.

How long she can continue these imports depends on her ability to maintain her present high industrial production for export barter.

Germany produces more than 90 per cent. of her own meat and it has been estimated that her grain surplus this year will be 1,500,000 tons.

On the other side of the balance sheet, however, the shortage of fats probably will grow more acute.

Germany's whaling fleets, with a combined capacity of more than 100,000 tons of whale oil, undoubtedly will no longer venture into the Arctic waters where they would fall prey to British raiders.

The war will also deprive Germany of most of her annual catch of 300,000 tons of fish from the North Sea. Her Baltic catch is about 30,000 tons annually.

## Iron And Oil Shortage

The war created two other important shortages in Germany—iron and oil. Iron is as important to industry as oil is to the war machine.

Thus far the war has cost Germany about two-thirds of her iron ore imports representing almost one-quarter of her entire supply. Some 12,000,000 tons of iron ore formerly imported from France, North Africa, Brazil and Newfoundland have been cut off.

The bulk of the remainder of German iron ore imports has been coming from Sweden. If Germany can continue to provide Sweden with coal there is no reason to believe that Sweden will not continue to export to Germany the usual 9,000,000 tons of ore annually, or possibly more.

Germany is trying harder than ever to utilize her own source of low grade iron ore to meet the new deficiency. In two or three years she should be able to add about 7,000,000 tons to her annual output through the construction of new iron works designed especially for smelting low grade ore. She would still, however, be short of about 3,000,000 tons.

## Serious War Problem

Oil is one of Germany's most serious war problems. The hostilities have not greatly interfered with Germany's sources of fuel oil but they have doubled potential requirements.

German military experts have estimated that 12,000,000 tons of oil—some estimates are higher—will be needed to supply the Reich in war time. To-day, Germany can provide

less than 30 per cent. of that amount from her own resources.

By intensifying her efforts, Germany can recover more than 3,000,000 tons of benzine from her vast coal supplies this year, and next year probably will increase the amount to 4,000,000 tons. Oil well sources amount to only about 600,000 tons yearly.

Rumania and Russia are the likeliest sources for the balance of Germany's oil needs. Rumania annually disposes of a 6,000,000 ton surplus. It is questionable, however, whether Germany will be able to transport this amount.

Neutral experts have estimated that only about half of it could be brought into the Reich by way of the Danube River.

Russia will probably have a surplus of about 1,000,000 tons of oil but neutral experts question whether she will be willing to neglect her own reserves by exporting it all. Here, too, the problem of transportation arises.

## Lack Of Copper

The war further weakened Germany's already shaky position in regard to copper. The Reich produces only about one-eighth of her normal copper needs. The war has now cut off the bulk of her imports which come principally from Africa, Chile and the United States.

The two chief sources remaining are Finland and Sweden who together presently meet only about one-tenth of Germany's needs.

As for other metals, Germany will have to depend upon Russia for her increased manganese requirements on Hungary, Yugoslavia, Greece and Italy for bauxite, and on Turkey, Yugoslavia and Greece for chromium.

Poland's zinc resources made Germany self-sufficient in that respect. The Allied blockade has cut off the Reich's rubber supply, and she can supply only about one-third of her needs with artificial rubber.

## Italy A Key Factor

Italy has become a key factor in Germany's attempt to solve her economic difficulties. Italy forms a bottleneck through which every sea neutral must pass, and she can needed materials into the Reich, for example soy beans from Manchuria and oil from Russia.

How effectively Italy can serve Germany in this manner, however, will depend upon how tightly British warships close the Suez Canal and the Mediterranean to neutral shipping destined for Germany.

Neutral observers believe Germany hopes to increase imports from the Scandinavian countries by preventing those countries from shipping to Great Britain. Goods which cannot be delivered to Britain through the U-boat net probably will be bartered to Germany for coal, the Nazis hope.

Germany's greatest economic gain from the war thus far is Poland, whose annual coal production of 44,500,000 tons will serve the Reich both for bartering purposes and in the production of synthetic oil.

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## Capt. Foster's Racing Notes

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that spotting the winner is not going to be easy. There are several speedy merchants such as Elvener, Kut Cheung, The Leopard and West Lake. Bitter and Kut Cheung have too much lead to carry, and with novices up it makes matters worse.

However my best three are The Leopard, The Tigress and This Time, and I think that they will cross the line in the order I have named. As of course I fancy Zero, provided, of course the owner jockey can draw 144 lbs. Mr. H. M. Botelho is no doubt the best novice we have at present and it pays to follow his mount.

CORBALS HANDICAP  
A Very Even Struggle

THERE are only eight China ponies in the second section of the Corbals Handicap for "C" class raters, and the sprint is over the six furlongs course. Advancing Time, having brought back to this division, will no doubt evoke much interest in the pari-mutuel department. It will be recalled that this dun mare, after having won two "D" class events, was promoted to "C" class, but the handicapper placed her in the first section where the lady did nothing.

In this section Advancing Time has, I think, a tough proposition against her own sex namely, Laughing Girl, Salvage Master and Sunlight View. It seems that the owners have not been treating Laughing Girl with due care, for the mare has not registered a win since the resumption, in fact her last three outings were always locked together with other contenders. She and Sunlight View dead-heated for third place in the Austin Handicap, but in a subsequent outing Laughing Girl and Salvage Master could not be disjoined in the Connaught Handicap for second prize stake-money.

At the last meeting the same three runners could not be separated for second position in the frame in the Shum Chun Handicap, and I wonder what is going to happen to-morrow? It was certainly a "hat trick" for Laughing Girl. The inclusion of Guinness Time in this section coupled with the champion jockey in the saddle will make the event very interesting. Barring everything down my fancy is Laughing Girl.

AULD REEKIE H'CAP  
An Easier Selection

THE penultimate event, the Auld Reekie Handicap for "C" class Australian ponies over a mile, has been selected as the second leg of the daily double. I do not think that it will be hard to pick the winner, for in my opinion Pumpernickel should provide the second leg with Stratherrick and Violet Queen following in the rear.

## FINAL EVENT

## Twenty-Five Acceptors

THE St. Andrew's Meeting will be terminated with a fine display of a big field in the Gallop Gate Handicap (second section) for "D" class China steeds to be ridden by novices, and the scramble is from the 1½ mile post.

The handicapper has drafted 25 ponies to this section, and it is learned that practically all the mounts have already been booked. Arabian Cat, Geordie, Lancashire Chap, Portrush, Radium Star, Sunshine Susie, Talkative and Tiny Tim should be in the limelight at the finish, but the baton will be held by Talkative.

## Mass Production Of Planes

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

PARIS, Nov. 30 (Reuter).—Planes are being produced by mass production like cheap cars, said the Air Minister, M. Luchamps, in a speech to the American Club.

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## Crucial Kwangsi Battle Now Imminent JAPANESE AND CHINESE RUSH UP REINFORCEMENTS

CHUNGKING, Nov. 30 (Reuter).—What will probably be the most severe and most crucial battle of the present Sino-Japanese war will be fought in the near future on the hills of Kwangsi, according to well-informed observers here.

Following the Japanese occupation of Nanning, which cut China's highway communications with French Indo-China, Chinese and Japanese are reported to be rushing reinforcements and manoeuvring for positions in preparation for a major battle.

### Pakhoi Landings

Reports from Pakhoi state that large bodies of Japanese troops are being landed there and sent to Nanning. The latest Chinese field dispatches from Southern Kwangsi state that Japanese forces are continuing to push northward and westward—northward in three columns with the main body striking along the main

highway in Southern Kwangsi towards Pingyang. Heavy fighting is said to be going on at present near Patang North-east of Nanning.

### Japanese Encountering Resistance

KWEILIN, Dec. 1 (Central).—The Japanese who are driving on the Nanning-Pingyang highway have met with firm resistance at Lintang, approximately 25 miles northeast of Nanning. Severe fighting raged without interruption from Tuesday afternoon to Wednesday evening. Directing concentrated fire, the Chinese inflicted heavy casualties upon the enemy. The countryside is said to be strewn with Japanese dead and wounded. Japanese reinforcements have been brought up, but the Chinese cling to their positions. There is no change in the situation on the Nanning-Wuming highway. The Chinese are holding the strategic pass at Kofeng, about 14 miles north of Nanning.

### Foreign Minister Explains

TOKYO, Dec. 1 (Domest).—The Foreign Minister, Admiral Kichisaburo Nomura, received Mr. Arsene Henry, the French Ambassador, on Thursday afternoon. It is understood that the Foreign Minister explained the aims of the fresh Japanese military operations in southern Kwangsi and Kwangsi near the border of French Indo-China. Informed quarters understood that the Foreign Minister Nomura informed the French Ambassador that the Japanese action is designed to intercept the Chinese transport routes from Burma and French Indo-China, and to effect a quick destruction of the anti-Japanese Chiang Kai-shek's regime. The Foreign Minister assured the French Ambassador that Japan has no ulterior intentions against French Indo-China.

## CITY FIRM FINED No Licence For Selling Radios

A fine of \$800 was imposed on Johnson and Co. by Mr. Edwards at Central Magistracy this morning. The Company had previously pleaded guilty to summonses for selling radios and possession of apparatus without licences.

Mr. Abbott said it was clear that his Worship was not under obligation to confiscate the goods in this case, but before the Company disposed of their goods, they should submit the arrangements to the Post Master General. Mr. O. E. C. Martin, representing the Company, agreed to comply with Mr. Abbott's request.

## MAIL PLANE DUE

The delayed Imperial Airways plane with United Kingdom and Australian air mail is expected to arrive at about 5 p.m. to-day from Bangkok. It is believed that the plane is carrying Australian mail which missed the last connection.

## Accident Aboard Warship

A fractured skull was sustained by Ma Wing, an employee of the Royal Naval Dockyard, yesterday, when he fell into the hold of one of the warships while working on board.



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## 11 FOREIGNERS IN NANNING

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH" SHANGHAI, Dec. 1 (UP).—The Shanghai "Mainichi" reports that 11 third Power nationals are remaining in Nanning following its occupation by Japanese troops. They comprise two Americans, two Britons and seven Frenchmen.

The paper said that Japanese staff officers visited these nationals last Wednesday under orders from Lieut. General Rikichiki Ando, Commander of the Japanese forces in South China, and assured them of protection to their lives and property.

## PIRATES' HAUL WORTH \$2,000

Cargo worth \$2,000 was seized by a gang of pirates in Chinese waters off Pak Shek Kok on November 28. A report of the incident was made to the Police yesterday by Ho Sau, 44, travelling trader, and owner of the cargo.

The pirates stopped the trading vessel which had sailed from Luny Ku Tan and put Ho and the crew into a hold. The vessel was ransacked and the cargo transferred to the pirate junk which remained with the captured vessel 24 hours. The cargo comprised nine cases of cigarettes, 22 tins of oil, 10 bags of flour and a tin of sugar.

## Southern And Central China Front

## FIGHTING 25 MILES NORTH OF CANTON

Considerable fighting has been reported between Chinese and Japanese troops on the southern front.

Over 1,000 Japanese troops at Kuntien, on the Canton-Hankow Railway, 25 miles north of Canton, drove northward in two columns yesterday.

One column pushed north to Nganchangau, while the other column invaded Sheklok, west of Nganchangau.

Serious fighting took place. During a night attack on Lungchow, Tienzeling and Namhangau, points south-west of Fashien, last Monday.

The Chinese inflicted heavy losses upon the Japanese, states a "Central News" report from Kweilin. Another report claims that many Japanese were killed when a Japanese army lorry was attacked on the Kongmoon-Fashien highway.

### White Rice Hill Combat

The Chinese advancing on Kongmoon had an encounter with Japanese at White Rice Hill, south-west of Kongmoon, on Tuesday.

The Japanese were hard-pressed and had to withdraw behind their fortifications. The Chinese then destroyed the defences with hand-grenades and dispersed them.

It is claimed that White Rice Hill was subsequently recovered. Further north, it is stated that Fanchang, on the south bank of the Yangtze river, 25 miles above Wuhu, which was lost to the Japanese on November 21, has been recovered.

### Warships Active

Two Japanese warships steamed near Luchenshui on the eastern bank of the Tungting Lake in North Hunan yesterday.

At noon a group of blue-jackets attempted to land, but Chinese troops repulsed them with heavy rifle and machine-gun fire.

However, the warships are still there. From Loyang comes a report that Fucheng, south-east of Antsich, in South Shansi, has been recovered by the Chinese.

Japanese troop movements are reported at Howma, Wensi, Henglingkwan, Anyi, Yuncheng, Halahaien and Changtien where some 10,000 Japanese troops are massed.

A major Japanese offensive in this sector is believed imminent. An artillery bombardment of the Chinese positions at Laotaimiao took place on Wednesday.

Though covered by artillery and machine-gun fire, a Japanese unit at Hokowchen, south of Tokoto in Suiyuan, made an abortive attempt to cross the Yellow River on Tuesday. Chinese sources claim that it was repulsed with considerable losses.

## JAPANESE AIRCRAFT ACTIVE

## Mass Raids Over Lanchow, Sian

Japanese aircraft have been particularly active during the last two days. They have carried out raids on Lanchow, capital of Kansu Province, and Sian, causing a great deal of damage.

A "Domel" message states that for the second consecutive day, Japanese naval aircraft yesterday morning visited Lanchow and bombed the Chinese air base there. Visiting the base three times in quick succession, Japanese air units bombed and demolished scores of grounded aircraft on the eastern airfield and the military establishments in the vicinity, according to Japanese reports.

As the result of these attacks by the Japanese air forces during the past two days, the Chinese air base in Kansu is believed to have suffered "crushing losses."

### Chinese Admission

Chinese reports from Chungking, while admitting that Japanese aircraft have been carrying out mass moonlight raids over Lanchow and Sian on Wednesday night and Thursday morning, make no mention of their aircraft having been destroyed.

"Central News" messages merely state that five groups of hostile planes flew over Lanchow, raining more than 200 demolition and incendiary bombs on the city.

The first group appeared shortly after 11 p.m. on Wednesday, the second at 1.20 a.m. on Thursday, the third at 5.20 a.m., the fourth at 8 a.m. and the fifth at 9.30 a.m.

Many houses were reduced to ruins. Two fires were started. Some 30 casualties were reported.

General Chu Shao-liang, Chairman of the Kansu Provincial Government, visited the devastated areas immediately after the raids to console the victims and to supervise the rescue and relief work.

### Attack On Sian

Prior to the raids, a Japanese scouting plane flew over Pingling, Kuayun, Huiyuan and other points on reconnaissance. In Sian, the capital of Shensi, the alarm was raised at 1.45 a.m. yesterday.

Shortly afterwards, 12 enemy planes broke into the city and dumped bombs at random in the outskirts. The "All Clear" signal was given around 3 a.m.

## Finnish Situation Affects Exchange

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH" LONDON, Nov. 30 (Reuter).—On the Stock Exchange the Finnish developments were responsible for the early marking down of prices, but no selling appeared.

The market generally recovered partially prior to the close of trading. Finnish bonds, however, dropped about ten points, but the Finnish mark remained comparatively steady, showing a decline of only five points, from 200 to 205 to the Pound sterling.

Of the commodities, cotton continued to be influenced by the strength of the eastern markets, together with freight difficulties, prices attaining new high levels and advancing by the permissible daily limits of 25 points.

## JOY-RIDERS BORROW CAR

When he entered his car yesterday morning, Mr. D. Williams, of the Sanitary Department, discovered that the battery had run down and a gallon of petrol was missing from the tank.

The car had been left outside his residence, 107 Sai Yee Street, on Wednesday night and had apparently been used by joy-riders during the night.

## Death Of Dr. Bethune

Last Seen 21 Months Ago In Hankow

CHUNGKING, Dec. 1 (Reuter).—Further details gathered here concerning the Canadian Dr. Norman Bethune, who was reported to have died on November 13, reveal that Dr. Bethune was about 40 years of age and came from Montreal.

Dr. Bethune was last seen by friends in Hankow late in February last year completing arrangements for a trip to Northern Shansi.

Shortly afterwards, with medical equipment and supplies, Dr. Bethune travelled northwards, accompanied by a Canadian nurse, Miss Jane Ewan.

### Field Hospital Work

Dr. Bethune carried with him \$2,000 in U.S. currency for establishing 30 beds in a field hospital in the north.

Together with Dr. Charles Parsons, an associate surgeon in the Benedictine Hospital in Kingston, New York, they formed the first medical unit organised by a group of people in New York.

Dr. Parsons is now working with the new Fourth Army somewhere in the vicinity of the Nanking-Shanghai area.

## Jewellery Stolen From Residences

A thief entered the bedroom of 533 Stubbs Road, the residence of Mr. W. J. S. Key, sometime yesterday afternoon and stole jewellery worth \$120. A quantity of jewellery was also stolen from Mrs. Goldman's home, 132 Argyle Street, ground floor, on Wednesday. Nothing was stolen.

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## NEW TERRITORIES MURDER REPORTED

Murder was committed by a gang of eight men, one armed with a chopper, when they entered a house in Sham Wat, Tai O, in the New Territories, about 2 o'clock this morning.

Their entry was assisted by Chan Lam, 30, Ng Wan, a 15-year-old boy, and Ng Kiu-mui, a 12-year-old girl. The robbers had no scruples regarding their treatment of the occupants, and Ng was killed while the other two were wounded.

The premises were ransacked and \$20 was stolen.

### Robbery Foiled

A gang of thirteen men were unsuccessful in their attempt at robbery in Fu Ti village, Castle Peak, early this morning. They entered a shed occupied by a farmer, Chan Shing-kei, 32, and started three of Chan's flocks who got up from the beds to investigate.

Alarmed, the robbers, who were armed with choppers, fled and were chased by Chan and his assistants. One was arrested on the main road near Ki Lun Wei and handed over to the Police. Nothing was stolen.

## Nazi Boast Scorned

Realistic American Attitude

LONDON, Nov. 30 (Reuter).—The following special commentary was issued to-day:

Mr. William Shiras, Foreign Editor of the Scripps-Howard newspapers, emphasising the absurdity of the boast made in Berlin newspapers that Germany is now master of the North Sea and the North Atlantic, pointed out yesterday that it would take the Reich more than 15 years to sweep Allied and neutral shipping from the seas at the present rate of destruction—this figure not taking into account replacements.



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## Reds Want Naval Bases on Norwegian Coast SOVIET ACTION MAY START WORLD WAR

COPENHAGEN, Dec. 1 (UP).—A report received here this morning claims that Soviet Russia has demanded three Norwegian ports on the Arctic coast.

The report cannot at present be confirmed.  
**NAVAL BASES WANTED**

OSLO, Nov. 30 (Domei).—It is reported here that the Soviet Union has demanded that Norway permit the construction of three Soviet naval bases on the northern coast of Norway.

### SOVIETS FIRE ON HUNGARIANS

BUCHAREST, Nov. 30 (Domei).—Soviet troops have fired on Hungarian frontier guards.

A tense situation now prevails on the Soviet-Hungarian border. The border incident is attributed to a Soviet attempt to convey propaganda pamphlets into Hungary across the border through Ruthenia.

### UNHAPPY GERMANY

AMSTERDAM, Dec. 1 (Reuter).—The Russian invasion of Finland has made a tremendous but complicated impression in Germany.

The "Telegraaf's" Berlin correspondent was allowed by the German censor yesterday afternoon to telephone a message in which he says: "Concessions are now coming to light which Herr von Ribbentrop had to make in Moscow in order to obtain the support of the Soviets."

"The Baltic States were sacrificed by Germany and after raking in this booty, the Soviet made demands with regard to a free hand in Finland, Sweden and Norway. Here too Germany gave way."

German circles generally, says the correspondent, sympathize with the Finns and watch with apprehension the spread of Russian power in the Baltic.

This progress is particularly unpopular with Army and Navy circles. The former recall the time when Germans and Finns fought side by side against Russia and won Finland's independence, while Naval circles are worried for strategic reasons.

**Sweden Shocked**  
SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"  
STOCKHOLM, Nov. 30 (Domei).—The Swedish Government has been profoundly shocked by reports of a Soviet armed invasion of Finland. Swedish Government circles point out that Sweden does not wish to be involved in the conflict. They deny that any mobilisation measures have yet been taken in Sweden.

It is evident, however, that Sweden is steadily pushing military preparations against the worst eventuality.  
**Swedish Activity**  
SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"  
STOCKHOLM, Nov. 30 (UP).—The Minister of Foreign Affairs, Mr. R. Sandler, has called a meeting of the Parliamentary Committee on Foreign Affairs for 11 p.m. to-night. The purpose is not revealed, but it is obviously in connection with the Soviet-Finnish situation.

It is officially stated that Sweden will probably call up additional men to the colours. Mobilisation is not yet contemplated.

Typical of the attitude, hundreds of youths have volunteered their services to the Finnish Legion. There is widespread indignation over the attack, accompanied by anxiety due to Sweden's geographic propinquity.

Newspaper editorials excoriated Russian "barbarity."

**Reports Denied**  
SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"  
STOCKHOLM, Nov. 30 (UP).—The reports that a general summons has been sent out to all Swedish air-men to report immediately at the Kastrup Airfield have been denied.

### LATE NEWS

#### JAPAN FEARS FOR FINLAND

TOKYO, Dec. 1 (Domei).—Commenting on the Soviet demands upon Finland, the local Press voices the fear that possibly it is only a matter of time before Finland will share the fate of Poland.

The "Kokumin Shimbun" predicts that hostilities between the Soviet Union and Finland will result in further expansion of the European war, with the possibility of increased strain being put upon Anglo-Soviet relations.

The Journal considers that the Soviet attitude towards Japan is likely to become more friendly. Great Britain may also elect to compromise with Japan in the desire, firstly, to menace the Soviet Union from behind, and secondly, to develop the European situation favourably and ensure the security of India.

The "Kokumin" counsels the Government to deal with the fresh international developments with extreme caution. The "Mivako Shimbun" believes that a Soviet conquest of Finland would develop into a delicate situation between the Soviet Union and the United States. Widespread attention should be given to the forthcoming talks between the Japanese Foreign Minister, Admiral Nomura, and the Soviet Ambassador, M. Smolenski.

#### New Mine-Field

LONDON, Dec. 1 (Reuter).—Britain has laid a new mine-field in the North Sea. It covers an area of 300 square miles and is about midway between the Thames estuary and the Scheldt in Holland.

Notice of the position of the new mine-field has been issued by the Admiralty, who warn that vessels entering the area do so at their own peril. Merchant shipping between Holland and Britain normally passes in the vicinity of the new mine-field, and shipping from Scandinavian waters may also have to make a detour to reach the Thames estuary or the English channel.

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